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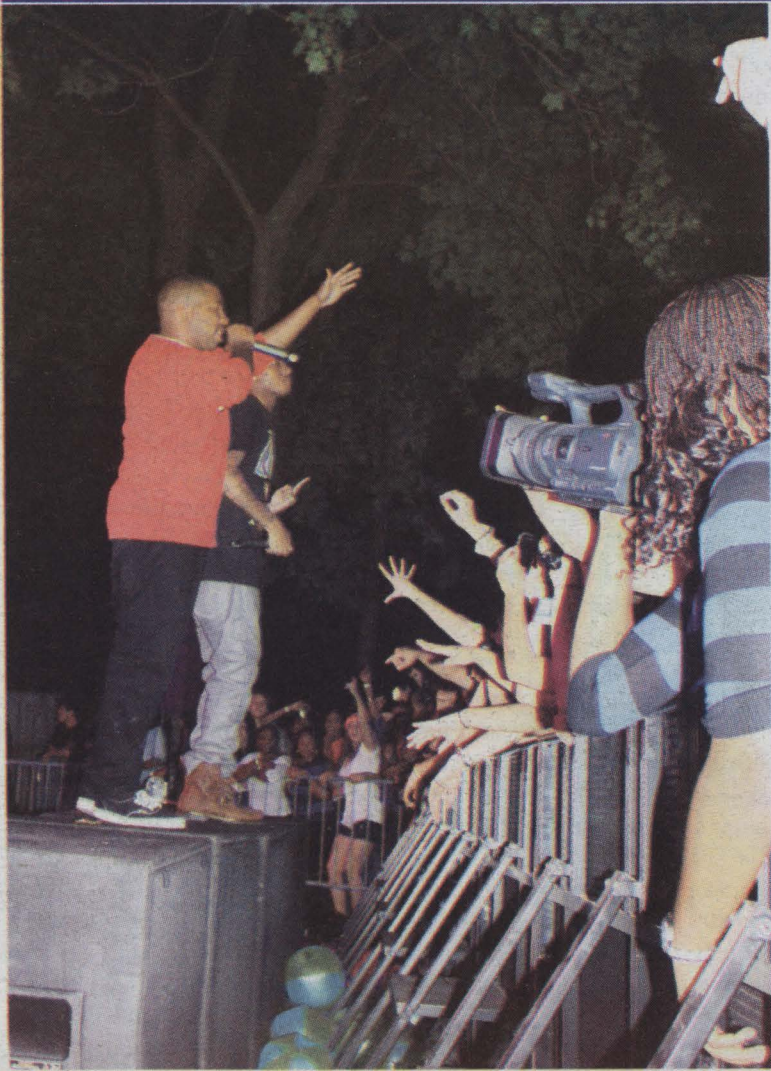


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The Cool Kids entertain and engage the enthusiastic crowd at the Fall Concert.

## Fall Concert Entertains at the Mill

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For a musician, true talent lies in live performance. Die-hard fans and industry insiders know this, but concert-goers can be in for an awful surprise if they're expecting an album-quality show from, say, the Pussycat Dolls. Live music is a tricky balance of cue-reading, practiced rhythms, and stage presence, and it's easy to miss the mark.

At Trinity's 2010 Fall Concert, however, the talent was undeniable. The Cool Kids and The Freelance Whales – two distinctly different groups with highly individual sounds – turned the backyard of The Mill at 79 Vernon St. into the show of the season.

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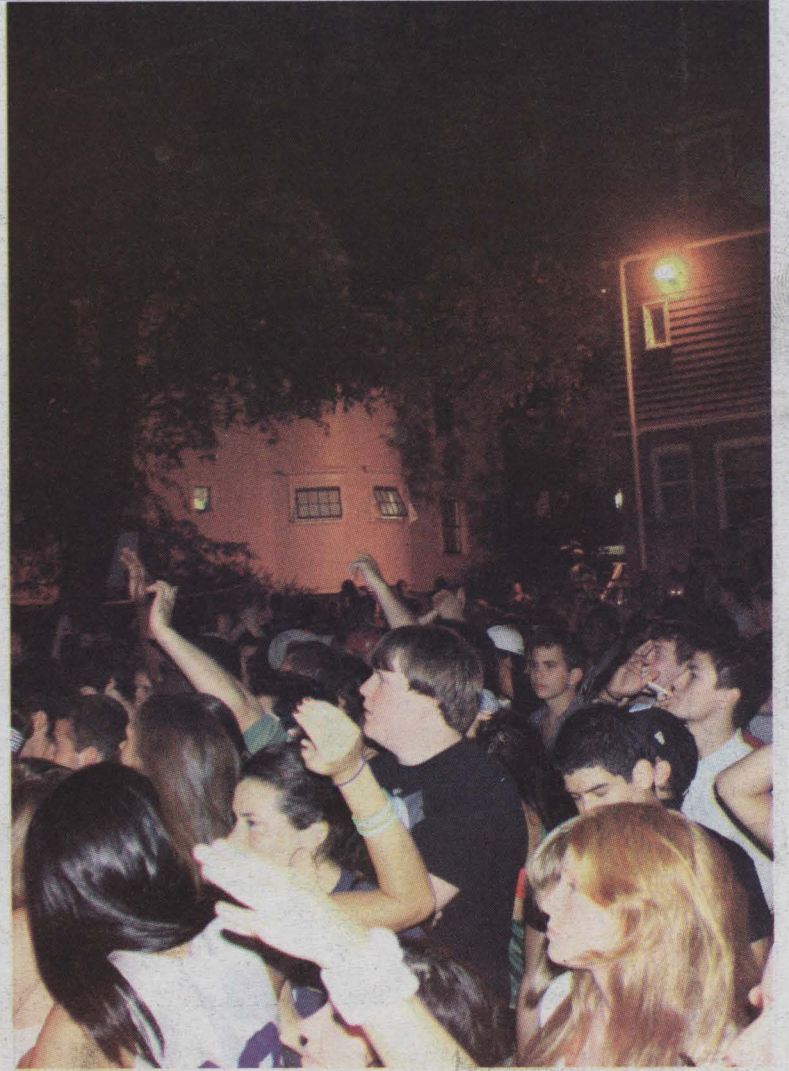


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Trinity students get into the music of The Cool Kids and The Freelance Whales.

## Op-ed: The RA Program Altered in Word in Size and Compensation

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Budget modifications have forced changes in the administration of the Resident Assistant (RA) program and the organization of First-year and upperclassman RAs for this school year, a move that has been met with positive feedback. Prior to this year, the Office of Campus Life maintained a \$330,000 RA budget and was able to employ between 55 to 60 RAs. This year, however, the budget was cut down to \$230,000, forcing a decrease in the number of RAs to 40 total.

The budget changes have also forced adjustments in RA compensation. While First-year RAs will continue to receive the room grant and stipend previously received by all RAs, the upperclassmen RAs now just receive an hourly wage of \$8.25. The 12 hours per week the RAs work are devoted to administrative duties at the Residential Services Office, conducting rounds in residence halls, holding "office hours" for students in their buildings, meeting with fellow RAs for area meetings, and maintaining the

upkeep of their buildings.

Outside of the monetary changes, one of the biggest alterations to the program has come in the number of upperclassmen versus First-year RAs. Director of Campus Life Amy DeBaun said, "It was really important to keep RAs in First-year halls." For this reason, the number of RAs in First-year dorms has not changed, and there remains, on average, one RA per floor, making half of the RAs on campus First-year RAs. However, the number of Upperclassmen RAs has decreased to one per building, with some Resident Assistants maintaining responsibility for up to 138 students; the RA in Jarvis, for example. One upperclassman RA is pleased with the changes, saying that the responsibilities had not changed much, and the smaller numbers actually allowed for the RAs to bond during training. According to DeBaun, "The support network and administration is still there in upper-class halls."

The responsibilities of the Area Coordinators have also

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## Trinity Students Aide Community in Sierra Leone

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African Development Coalition (ADC) members Ibrahim Diallo '11, Kate Cummings '11, and Sofia Melograno '11, all agree that they had not anticipated the obstacles they would need to overcome in order to execute their Computer Literacy Project in Freetown, Sierra Leone this summer. After coming through the experience together, they found it was rewarding in ways they would never have expected. "This experience definitely made us all closer," asserts Melograno. "We would meet every night in Sierra Leone to go over the

progress of the day and plan for the future. We had to have not only Plan B, but also Plan C and D."

ADC has been working on this project since last October. They chose to expand and improve the computer lab at Fourah Bay College, a school with an enrollment of 5,000. The computer lab began with 30 computers; by the time the students departed in August, the lab had 110 computers, most with flat screen monitors. Trinfo. Cafe donated 40 computers, and the other 40 new computers were purchased from the manufacturer.

"It's like a crash course in

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PHOTO CONTRIBUTOR | IBRAHIM DIALLO '11

ADC members cut the ribbon at the opening of the computer lab in Freetown.

## Op-ed: The Word in Food Reform

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Consider for a moment the typical reaction diners have when a savory menu item grabs their attention: "that sounds good". In the context of eating, this expression seems a bit weird, as the delectableness of the dish is perceived not through its physical appearance but by the image its menu description conveys. Language plays an enormous role in our gastronomic activities: from restaurant menus to super-markets packaging words enhance flavor, guarantee quality, and transport us to far-away places — shallot champagne mustard, farm fresh eggs, wild Maine blueberry jam. The recent organic food movement has its own unique relationship with language as consumers piously seek out foods attached to words such as "organic", "natural", "fair trade", and "local". This relationship is responsible for the movement's success, as well as its shortcomings, as

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## Tripod Editorial

### What is the Point of a Monarchy?

As a longtime Anglophile, a Friday, Sept. 24 article by Adam Gabbatt in the British newspaper the *Guardian* caught my eye. Back in 2004, the offices of Queen Elizabeth II requested a poverty grant to the tune of 60 million from the government to heat her palaces. Apparently, the cost of heating Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle doubled that particular year and the senior aide who authored the formal request to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport complained that the sum of 15 million provided to "maintain" the palaces was far too paltry.

The request was denied, in short, because it's not good PR for Buckingham to be receiving something called a "poverty grant." This is just now coming to light thanks to reporters at the *Independent* and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). To those who aren't well-acquainted, FOIA is meant to ensure, among other things, government transparency. Many reporters will send out mass, periodical requests to particular agencies to keep an eye on what's going on. In the summer of 2008, as an intern at *The Hill* newspaper in Washington, D.C., it was one of my primary (and favorite) responsibilities. Scandals aren't normally caught this way, but there are usually quirky stories to be found from a particular name popping up in this case, Queen Elizabeth's.

It is stories like this that truly

call into question who in God's name is running PR for the British royal family. Yes, receiving a poverty grant to heat palaces would not play out well in the press. And, furthermore, having a request in writing come out years later isn't much better. It's unfortunate that someone had to spell that out for them, if for no other reason, then it begs the question: what is the point of a monarchy?

The fact that there is one to this day is almost entirely due to the popularity of Queen Elizabeth. In addition to being one of the most recognizable faces in the world, she is also a symbol of a different era. She was a teenager during World War II, a young wife and mother during the 50s, and the embodiment of discretion, sticism, and the famed "stiff upper lip." She is England. Or, at the very least, what the English like to wax poetic about.

However, her reign has also spanned over 50 years, which has both helped and hurt the monarchy. Serving for that long in a job that is as all-encompassing as hers has bestowed the House of Windsor well-deserved respect. But that respect does not spread to her children, who, in typical Baby Boomer fashion, spent most of the 80s and 90s talking about their "feelings", blaming mid-century parenting, and divorcing their spouses. The monarchy is a business, not a soap opera. The members of the Royal Family are not

meant to be beautiful, rich people running about trying to find themselves; they are meant to live and work on the dime of taxpayers to do their job.

The question is, in 2010, what is that job? Once upon a time, they ran the country. Long gone are the days of Henry VIII creating the Church of England for Anne Boleyn and a son, or Charles I giving (for all practical purposes) the middle finger to Parliament. The power of the monarchy has slowly been eroded, most noticeably in the 19th century, but continually throughout the 20th. In theory, the Queen is meant to advise the government. She cannot, by herself, dictate change. Yet her very usefulness to the government stems from her longevity. She isn't political, and she isn't running for office. I believe that the role of the monarchy should be to advocate for its people in a way that politicians watching their every word cannot. Silent, nicely photographed philanthropy is no longer enough. In short, if palaces are going to be kept up on the backs of the British people, then the Royal Family needs to earn their wages loudly, and vocally. There is no room in today's world for a figurehead.

This might all seem wildly off-topic, but consider it along Greg Moniz's article in *Opinions* if we think Obama is out of touch, just imagine if he were a Windsor.

-RSB

### Library Resources Prove Their Worth

I have always loved libraries. I can still remember spending hours as a child searching for *Amelia Bedelia* books in the children's section of my town's library. Even as a high schooler, I would venture to the library to study with my friends or meet with my chemistry tutor, who somehow, along with my brilliant lab partner, managed to help me pass the class.

Yet, when I arrived to Trinity as a First-year, I found myself to be fearful of the Raether Library. The building was huge, and even after I embarked on the tour given by my First-year mentor, I continued to live in terror of those heavy doors and alleged the 24-hour section. I will never forget the nauseous feeling in my stomach after I was assigned my first *Tripod* article; I needed to interview the librarian in the mythic Watkinson library. Not only did I have to go into the library, I had to locate the Watkinson and formulate questions relevant to its collections and exhibitions.

While I knew that if I spent some time exploring the library, I would be less intimidated by the endless stacks of books, I found my room to be a highly success-

ful study space. Though my friends and neighbors always seemed appalled that I did not spend time in the library, it was not until the summer after my freshman year that I received a reality check. I ran into a recent Trinity alum who asked me what seemed to be a very strange initial question. He wanted to know where I studied in the library. I realized that I, unlike most other Trinity students, did not have "a spot" in the library. Feeling extremely left out, I made a promise to myself to spend more time studying in Raether.

As a sophomore, I was slightly better about spending time in the library. An increase in my work-load and a tiny bedroom in Cook forced me to branch out. I finally found "a spot" that I liked (the room overlooking the Mather quad and connected to the grand reading room) but I did not do much else in the realm of exploring. Once in a while I would use the movie rooms to watch films for my French classes, and junior year I finally learned how to print from the computers on level A. I was becoming less intimidated, but that was also because I had forgotten about the myriad

research opportunities that had made me so nervous in the first place.

In beginning my thesis research this semester, I have suddenly realized what a giant waste of resources my past three years have been. Raether Library is chock full of unbelievable reference books and a massive CD and DVD collection. There are multiple highly-intelligent and helpful librarians who look forward to assisting students in their research. Spending some time in the library has allowed me to get to know the computer system and discover the unbelievable collections possessed by the Watkinson (apparently I was too nervous as a freshman to digest this fact).

Although it is truly pathetic that I took me three whole years to realize the value of the Trinity College library, I am glad that I will now be able to reap the benefits of its existence. I know that weeks of living at my thesis carrel second semester will cause this novelty to wear off, however the nerdy English major that I am looks forward to embracing the endless research possibilities at my fingertips.

-AMA

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## Word Play Is Leading Shoppers Astray

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"green words" mislead consumers and advocate promises they sometimes fail to provide.

The appeal of green foods lies in their proclamation that they are healthy, protect the environment, and support small businesses—the moral satisfaction that comes with purchasing them is an added bonus. Green foods can be roughly divided into two categories: better for people and better for the environment. Items labeled 'organic' or 'natural' are generally purchased because consumers believe that they are healthier than their mainstream counterparts. To a certain degree this is true: food labeled 'organic' goes through a certification process that mandates that it is grown without chemicals and cannot contain artificial products such as preservatives or flavoring. Given that organic produce are grown chemical-free, they are also better for the environment. While organic products are healthier than many standard ones, this does not mean that organic desserts and sodas are by any means healthy—Whole Foods has its own versions of Oreos, Pop Tarts, and gummy snacks that contain just as much sugar as brand-name ones, and should be consumed in moderation, as I have discovered. With that said, eating organic is not a quick fix for a healthy lifestyle—exercise, smart choices and portion control are still important.

The definition of 'natural' food is much more ambiguous. Until recently, for example, 7-Up® soda was advertised as "100% Natural", given the presence of real lemons and limes (as opposed to fake ones?). While several artificial ingredients were removed from the drink the remainder of high fructose corn syrup led advocacy groups to petition 7-Up's parent company to change the slogan—now, 7-Up has "natural flavors". Unlike organic products, natural ones do not need United States Department of Agriculture's approval, which allows supermarkets to tack up "Natural Foods" banners where they do not belong. The language surrounding organic and natural foods manipulates people in other ways as well. Whenever organic appears on a label it's usually accompanied by the word 'certified'. 'Certified' sounds official and reliable, but at some point we have to ask ourselves: certified by whom and by what standards? Generally, the USDA certifies organic products but in the case of 'natural' foods, whose meaning is more ambiguous, their quality for consumption is approved by the Food and Drug Administration, who also oversees their content labels. As reliable as we would like the FDA to be they've allowed unsuitable products to flood market shelves in the past, and this will undoubtedly continue into the future.

The increased demand for green food should be an environmentalist's dream come true but unfortunately megacompanies such as Walmart have picked up on their profitability and are adding more "organic" products to their

shelves under the pretense of "organic everyone can afford". The problem with this is that half of these products aren't actually organic or healthy, something the average shopper is not aware of. And think about it: how can a megachain like Walmart stock its stores with loads of organic products when there aren't enough organic products being produced in the United States? The answer: Walmart will outsource to countries like China and import 'organic' foods that are produced under questionable standards, at high transportation costs, all the while fostering a foreign economy. Basically, everything that organic food stands for will be shot to hell.

Even if organic food isn't imported from China it can still have negative effects on the environment. Purchasing organic Florida oranges from the West Hartford Whole Foods may be great for that farmland in Florida, but all the CO2 emissions produced by carting the fruit up to Connecticut, not to mention the energy spent on keeping the produce fresh—organic perishables have a shorter shelf-life than their chemically saturated counterparts—pollutes nearly every state along the East Coast. Just imagine if those oranges were coming from California, or Chile.

Language has become such a vital component in the sale of organic products that a few weeks ago the Corn Refiners of America began petitioning the FDA to change the name of high fructose corn syrup (HFCS)—a highly processed, omnipresent sweetener—to "corn sugar". The refiner's request is a response to the increasing public rejection of chemically enhanced edibles

who said he was going to change things in a meaningful way for the middle class. I'm one of those people. And I'm waiting sir, I'm waiting," she said.

By almost every measure, she's the heart of modern America—a businesswoman, former member of the armed forces, mother, wife, and mostly importantly, an upwardly mobile individual who combined hard work and the opportunities of our country to create an admirable life story. And now, with her few simple words to the President, she's said what many of us are thinking. She's become our voice.

Her resigned disappointment and struggle are being felt by millions of Americans. Though the recession has been declared officially over, the unemployment rate is uncomfortably high. Foreclosures continue. The financial picture is increasingly complicated and precarious. When we don't understand, we begin to fear. And on the whole we are a weary, scared, anxious, and cautious people uncertain about next year, next week, or even tomorrow.

Many of us, like Velma, are not ready to give up on the

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## Dear Dorm Residents, Please Form Militias

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Dear Fellow Dormitory Residents,

Bring out your hockey sticks! Light your torches! Grab your pitchforks! I have grave news for you: the time is upon us to form militias. Now, I know what you're thinking—Militias! What century does Ian think this is? Has he finally lost his marbles? Perhaps, but that's beside the point. The point is that we need militias.

Every dorm needs to meet as soon as humanly possible and complete two simple, yet essential, tasks. 1) Pool weaponry. This should not be hard given Trinity's lacrosse stick to student ratio. Golf clubs are fine. 2) Determine a schedule such that at least two residents of each dorm are armed and on duty at all times. Seriously, at all times. You'll see why in a moment.

Okay, so why do we need militias? I'll cut to the chase: According to the fine print of the housing contracts signed by all students who live on-campus, we are responsible for protecting our dorms from physical damage. To be clear, this includes the exterior. And so, as Trinity makes it a point to keep our campus boundaries open to the community at all times, we residents are financially responsible for any damages done to our dorms should a vandal sneak onto campus in the dead of night. I know this is unlikely to happen, considering our rural, affluent setting, but it is a concern. Don't believe me? This is an excerpt from an e-mail recently sent to me and my dormmates on behalf on the College:

"Last Friday night someone broke the door handle on the main entrance to Hansen. As residents of this dorm you are responsible for it, and should take pride in making sure that nothing happens to it. If something DOES happen to the common space as it did Friday night, EVERYONE has to pay for the damages, unless someone admits to doing it."

Okay, let's be real for a moment: The idea of collectively billing students in each residence hall for dam-

ages is well-intentioned, but impractical and unfair for a few reasons.

First, we residents are too busy to be responsible for constantly policing our dorms. We are students, athletes, employees, interns, friends, volunteers, TAs, club-heads, and—when we are feeling especially indulgent—creatures that require sleep. Of course we need to respect our dorms and do our best to maintain them, but we are not a security force.

Second, much of the damage is done by students who live in other dorms or even off-campus. (Remember: you do not always need to live in a given dorm to get in using your ID card.) Case in point: Trinity's recent e-mail about vandalism in North Campus,

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an all first-year residence hall. I quote, "Perhaps more disturbing than the scope of the vandalism has been the identity of the perpetrators—all upperclassmen students." I imagine that in this case the dorm's residents were not charged because the perpetrators were identified, but usually the crime goes unsolved and the wholly innocent residents pay in full.

Third, communal damage fees burden many students but often go virtually unnoticed by students from wealthier families. Thus, pooling responsibility for dormitory damages does not align the incentives of all residents to come together and protect the dorm, as was probably the intention of the policy's creators. Rather, pooling distributes a financial burden to everyone, including those who least deserve it and can least afford it. Allow me to use my absolute wildest imagination for moment...Okay, let's picture a drunk, wealthy Trinity student damaging a dorm, his own even. I know what you're thinking—that could never happen!—but just say that it did. Should a well-behaved, soft spoken student struggling to pay bills be held financially responsible for the damages just because she lives on the floor above? Trinity says yes. It's her dorm, after all, and she "should take pride in making sure that nothing happens to it."

## Town Hall: Is Obama Out of Touch?

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I've got a feeling we're going to hear a bit more about someone named Velma Hart in the coming days.

During a recent CNBC Town Hall meeting, the Washington D.C. woman carried on a respectful but honest and pointed conversation with President Obama on the state of his presidency and, implicitly, America.

"I'm one of your middle class Americans and quite frankly I'm exhausted of defending you, defending your administration,...I have been told that I voted for a man

who said he was going to change things in a meaningful way for the middle class. I'm one of those people. And I'm waiting sir, I'm waiting," she said.

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# Recollections: The Value of Home

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I could never forget the smell of delicious food wafting from the kitchen mingled with the sound of my parents' friends all talking over each other. I still remember sitting next to them, looking at them in awe, praying that I would soon become like them. Eventually, my mother would come and sit next to me giving me a look that said 'get out' but with the most gorgeous smile on her face and glaring eyes. Around 12 years later, we swapped roles.

My first day at Trinity, I was constantly meeting friends that I had on Facebook. With them I felt safe and no longer felt lost amidst all the chaos that surrounded me. In the dining hall, my mother met another parent and I was catching up with my friends and was finally getting to know them properly. We were laughing, talking about our adventures over the summer and making plans about what we would do together during our time at Trinity. My mother came and sat next to us and started talking to one of my friends and got to know him better than I did! Suddenly, she stopped talking and just watched us talking to each other. She had the same look I had when I was six years old, the look of absolute awe. I honestly felt really awkward and gave her the same look she used to give me. This little exchange between us bought

tears to my eyes. It was in that moment I realized that I had really grown up.

Back home in Dubai, my mother had always been there no matter what, whether I was filling out insurance forms or if I was starting a new internship. I always took her love for granted. Now here, at college, I can without a doubt say there are times whilst doing paperwork or on my first day of work, I was utterly and completely lost. After my first day at work, we skyped for two hours and I told her every little detail. It made me think about how back home, when she would tell me every little detail of her day I would nod along and listen but not wholeheartedly. While she would tell me about her day I would be texting my friends or be on Facebook from my phone. Now, 1,1174 kilometers away I was the one telling her every little excruciating detail and I didn't care how bored she got. I wanted her to know every thing that was going on. Every little thing that I did by myself was so important to me because I was finally becoming independent and doing things on my own.

Filling out forms, as simple as it may seem, frighten me very much. At home, whilst sitting in the doctor's office and

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filling out insurance forms whenever I got stuck she was always there to help me and whenever the form required a phone number I always wrote her phone number. I have always been lazy when it comes to answering my phone. Here my phone is almost attached to me. The first week when I missed around 10 calls from the Bank of America which prompted them to send me several e-mails to which I still took time to respond to.

I miss little things such as her waking me up when I almost always sleep through my alarm, or reminding me to eat lunch or dinner. She still texts me and asks me if I've brushed my teeth in the morning and how ever many times I ask her not to, she says she's going to continue to do so even when I'm 42 years-old with my own children. At college, I've skipped meals and have missed a class here and there just because I slept through my alarm. Being here has made me realize the true importance of my mother and how much she does for me. Her lack of presence here has completely changed me, but definitely in a good way. It's taught me the ability to finally be able to do things on my own.

# Alone Time: A Public Pursuit

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I was recently talking to a friend about how my room at home doesn't have a door. He was aghast. When I informed him that my room didn't really have walls either he became quite confused. My parents, like many homeowners in Manhattan, were unable to build an addition onto our apartment when they had a second child. So they partitioned off a piece of the living room for me so that I could have my own room. However, the condition was that this new room could not block off any light from the two windows that it was taking over. I got my room and they got their light. The upside is that I can watch the living room TV from my bed, or my desk or my closet, the downside is that I need to get dressed in said closet.

My friend asked how I survived without any "me" space, but I told him that I had always found the ultimate alone time in the crowded streets of my city. Walking from my high school on the Upper East Side to my home on the Lower West or visiting galleries solo gave me time to process problems or just be alone with my thoughts which I might

not have been able to do otherwise. When I went out to dinner alone, which I did on occasion, did anyone judge me? Possibly. But did they really care? Probably not. The beauty of living in a city like New York is that everyone has their own life going on and it doesn't really matter to them what you choose to wear, be, or do.

Many First-years have just moved in with a roommate and are now experiencing a lack of personal space for the first time in their lives. Take it from someone who has never really had any personal space, it is just as easy to lose yourself in quiet thought in a big crowd as it is to do in a locked room, and that alone time can be just as precious. Do something alone that you would normally do with others, something like going to a movie or out to dinner. See if you feel lonely or if you actually enjoy the time to yourself.

The problem at a place like Trinity is that it's not New York. There are fewer people, the crowd is not always big enough

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to get lost in and there just might be someone around who cares what you are wearing, being or doing. But even here you can find a place to be alone, the library for instance or Peter B's. Next time your roommate suffocates you, politely excuse yourself and go for a walk. It might surprise you how enjoyable your alone time in public, even at Trinity, can be.

I will be the first to tell you that public alone time is not for everyone. Many feel very uncomfortable in this situation or just downright lonely. Some people need constant interaction,

whether it's face-to-face, via phone, or by text message. I say more power to these people. I, on the other hand, hit a saturation point after which I can no longer deal with communication. For me, alone time, preferably spent on New York pavement, wandering without a goal, is the way I cope with a week full of people, classes and serving coffee. Not to say that I don't love these things, but my alone time gives me the space I need so that I can appreciate them even more.

# Buying Local Better than Buying Natural or Organic

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('edible' might be generous) that have been linked to obesity and other health issues.

Since high fructose corn syrup is at the top of the wholesome foods hit-list, America's farmers believe that changing the name will allow HFCS to slide under the radar on package labels and give the unappetizing sounding

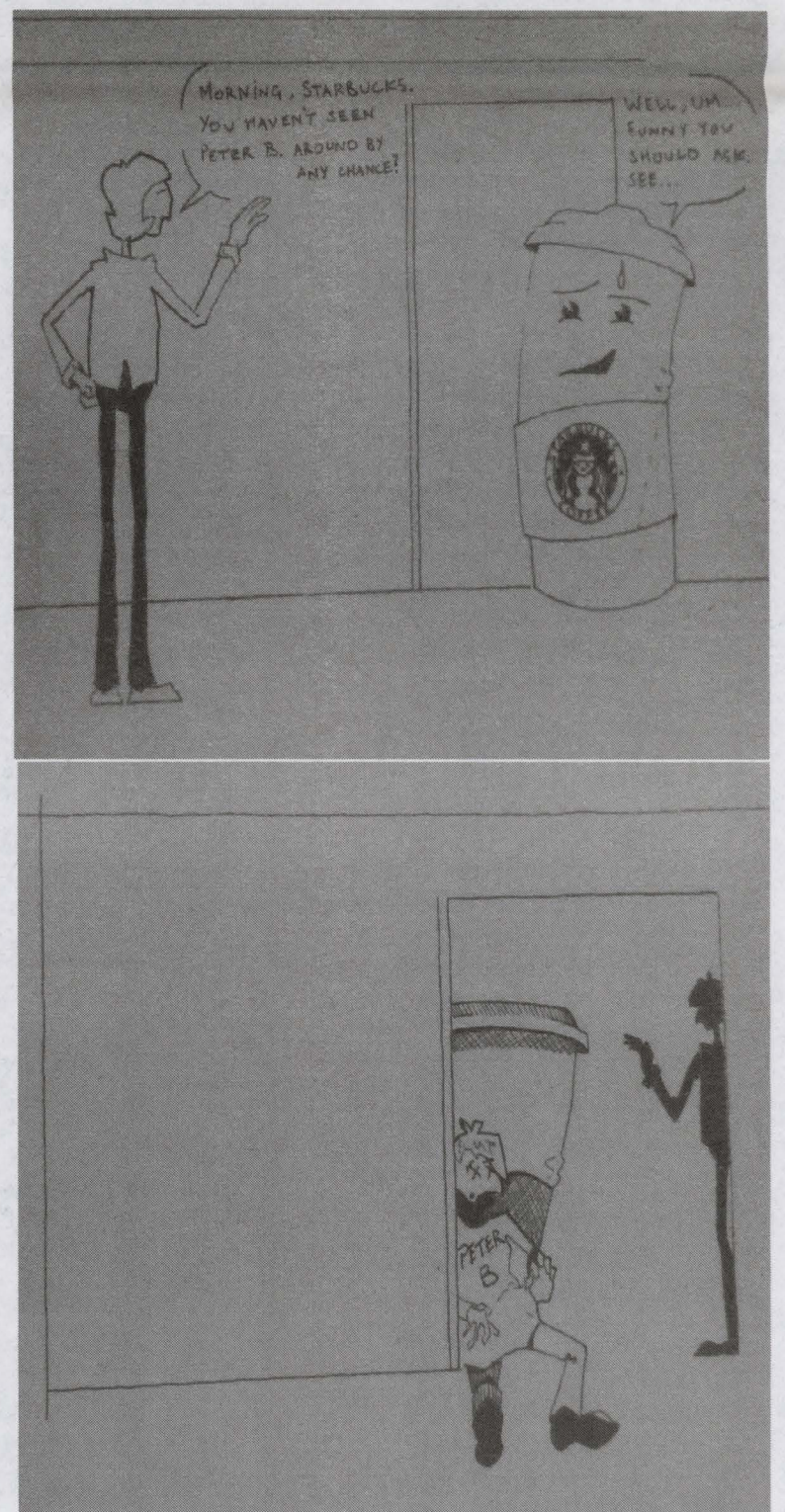
original a new "natural" sounding name (think beet sugar, cane sugar, etc . . .) If this name-game sounds reminiscent of Blackwater—now Xe—it is.

Despite all of the manipulations and misinterpretations surrounding the green-food movement there are still certain products that have a positive impact on the environ-

ment and economy (and are healthy!). Rather than pursue any product with 'organic' on its label, shoppers should focus on specific companies

Language has become such a vital component in the sale of organic products that a few weeks ago the Corn Refiners of America began petitioning the FDA to change the name of high fructose corn syrup—a highly processed, omnipresent sweetener—to "corn sugar"

whose quality and reputation can be trusted. Examples of these companies include Annie's, Yogi Tea, and Kashi. Shoppers should also focus greater attention on local products. Even if they are grown with pesticides, locally produced foods are great for the environment because their transportation costs are so low. Buying local also supports small producers, who need all the help they can get in our current economic predicament. Even if supermarkets don't supply local products, there are farmers' markets in every town and city where local produce, bread and cheese can be found. If green shoppers genuinely want to take better care of themselves and their communities they need to become better acquainted with green-jargon and its actual connotations.



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# Leisure Reading: The Lost Activity

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As I lay in bed on Wednesday night, exhausted from a day full of classes, work, practice, and homework, I glanced over at my still unfinished copy of *The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest*, the third installment in Steig Larsson's best selling trilogy, and wondered when I would have time to reach the end. It seems to me that one of the downsides of a challenging college education is that students don't have time to read and experience the literature currently being produced. Personally, having started Larsson's book at the end of July, it shocks me that I still have yet to finish it, but I do pride myself on the fact that I'm actually reading it. It is possible that the majority of students haven't even heard of the novel, let alone acquired a copy, and though it is a shame, it isn't completely their fault.

The average college student spends between 10 and 15 hours each week in class, plus around two or three

each day doing homework. Tack on sports, clubs, community service, and any of the other opportunities for involvement available on college campuses, and there are literally no hours left in the day. This being said, even if students did want to read for pleasure from September to May, it just doesn't seem to fit into their schedule.

We apply to and attend colleges and universities to acquire skill that will prepare us for life in the real world, outside of the sheltered environment that we have grown up in thus far. Colleges strive to build a bridge between adolescence and adulthood by introducing us to those aspects of contemporary society with which we should be comfortable by the time we are done. However, a large part of today's society and a large contributor to its character is the literature currently being produced. Yet, this fact seems to find itself overlooked. Consequently, today's bestsellers appear to be caught outside the university bubble.

Working in the bookstore the first few weeks of school, I watched student after student spend hundreds of dollars on

books they were required to buy for their classes, with very few buying books for their own personal reading. Many of the most popular books being written today are there and available, yet by the time students return to the front of the store they find their hands and schedules already full. It is for this reason that students are missing out on the art being produced by today's authors. Of the 35 books on the *New York Times* hardcover fiction best-sellers list, I have heard of three of them (*The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest* is number two), but I'm not sure I could say the same for the average college student.

I wouldn't consider this a problem that needs fixing, but rather a missed opportunity. So how can we give ourselves the chance to read about highly intelligent computer hackers, husband and wife treasure hunters, and Dragonseekers, while maintaining time and energy to devote to our chapters on Cell Theory or Artificial Intelligence? Expanding it just the slightest bit may run the risk of popping the bubble, but aren't we taught in college that we have to take chances in order to succeed?

# Town Hall Meeting Indicates Frustration

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President just yet, but we're teetering dangerously close to the edge. If we collectively jump off, it will be a disaster for both his presidency and the political process.

But to say Mr. Obama has not changed anything is selling him short. Take his unfairly decried stimulus package, an impressive attempt at economic recovery that combines moderate liberal ideology with 21st century innovation.

For example, homes across the country are being weatherized, cutting down on energy bills and helping the fledging green economy. Laid off teachers have been rehired in districts large and small. Broadband Internet access is being extended to poor disconnected pockets of rural America. These are feats that may not wholly rescue the economy today but will have a

lasting impact in the future. In terms of numbers, the Congressional Budget Office estimated that between 1.4 million and 3.4 million jobs have been saved by the stimulus.

But despite these success stories, we're still stuck in neutral. This is because Mr.

This is because Mr. Obama has only gone far enough to stabilize, but to the many who are suffering, stabilization just means things are staying the same. And that's a terrible feeling.

change because no one knows what 'worse' feels like if things are constant.

So for now we just have to keep waiting. We wait, like Velma, with cautious skepticism, mild frustration, and still just one ounce of hope left in our President to get us through the day.

# A Dazed Morning: A Plea to Bring Starbucks to Campus

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A question I have asked myself time and time again since I got on campus is: Where is the Starbucks? Consequently, this leads to a second question: Why isn't there a Starbucks on campus? I know I am not that only person wondering this and a little upset about this fact. Granted, there are other places to get coffee on campus, like the Underground Cafe but, in my opinion, nothing beats good old Starbucks. The coffee is solid, which can't be said for Mather, the snacks are delicious, and the seasonal drinks are amazing. Perhaps, I am only feeling the lack because I do not have access to my favorite drink right now, a Pumpkin Spice Latte, but still, there isn't a Starbucks even within walking distance. Why? I ask.

There are two main arguments people can propose. One, there is no space for a Starbucks on campus or nearby. And two, Starbucks might not do well

at Trinity. I beg to differ on both of these accounts. If there is no place to build a Starbucks, especially on campus, convert a space. I, for one, think that the renovation would be well worth the costs if it means waking up to a Peppermint Hot Chocolate and a blueberry scone. Additionally, given the number of students I have heard wondering about where the closest Starbucks is and why can't it be closer, I do

Additionally, given the number of students I have heard wondering about where the closest Starbucks is and why can't it be closer, I do not think that Starbucks would have any problem getting patrons. The universities that do have a Starbucks on campus say that their Starbucks do incredibly well.

write that 20 page

paper the night before it is due. Having a Starbucks on campus not only provides another place to get food, but it adds another place to hangout and do homework. I know that right now, given the warm weather, there are plenty of places of hangout with friends, but during the colder months, the great outdoors will be taken away and picnics on the quad will no longer be possible.

During these cold months, we are confined to the dorm rooms, Cave, Bistro, Underground Cafe, and the library, none of which, except the dorms, are very cozy. I feel that every Starbucks, no matter its location, has a sense of coziness to it with its calming music playing softly in the background, the whir of the machines, comfortable chairs, and especially the smells of all the drinks wafting in the air. Additionally, I do not like to study in dead silence. Therefore, sitting in the

library, which I do now, is hard for me. Silence induces sleepiness and causes other thoughts to float into my mind. On the other hand, I do not like loud screaming and music blaring when I do homework. Starbucks is the perfect balance of quiet mixed with a soft hum of activity. It keeps the senses going and keeps my mind from wandering off my work. Additionally, it would be much easier to grab a snack at Starbucks than it currently is at the library. All a person would have to do is get up and

stand in line, if there is one.

So, this dilemma of not having a Starbucks on campus should be easily resolved. There clearly are no logical arguments as to why a Starbucks should not be on campus. Space can be made. People will get there daily dose of caffeine there. It will add another spot to spend time with friends and to study. Therefore, dear administrators, I and my fellow student body ask--no we beg--for a Starbucks to come onto campus.

HAVE AN OPINION THAT YOU WANT  
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## Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority Recycles Solo Cups

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Consider this: the average game of beer pong uses 22 Solo cups. Hypothetically, if there are 50 games played on campus every weekend night — a modest estimate, given Trinity's student population of nearly 2,400 — assuming that each old cup is not replaced with a new one at the end of every game, that means that 1,100 cups are used on a single weekend night. Multiply that figure by three, and the total tally of Solo cups used from Thursday through Saturday comes out to 3,300, not including the cups used by fraternities.

Yet, every cloud has a silver lining: since May 2010, No. 3 through No. 7 plastics have been accepted by the Connecticut Resources

Recovery Authority's (CRRA) Mid-Connecticut Project, meaning that food and beverage containers aside from the ones made from No. 1 and No. 2 plastics can now be recycled. Incidentally, this new policy deems Solo cups as well as other plastic containers from the Cave and Bistro recyclable, making the task even more convenient for the average Trinity student.

However, while Solo cups and other plastics do largely contribute to the waste we accumulate on campus, paper products also play a major part. All paper products, with the exception of napkins and tissues, are recyclable. This means that chipboard — for example, cereal boxes — and corrugated cardboard boxes can be recycled, along with the plethora of paper goods that are also eligible.

Co-chair of Green Campus Giuliani Lopez '11 has high hopes for the CRRA's newly implemented policy and its potential impacts for Trinity. "Recycling has never been this easy at Trinity," said Lopez. "Not only are we single-stream, but we can now recycle plastics No. 1-7."

Single-stream recycling, which allows all recyclables to be thrown in the same place, already reduces the complications that recycling previously imposed. Now, with the burden of sorting plastics from paper alleviated, and with the acceptance of more plastics, recycling on a college campus has never been simpler. Better yet, recyclable materials go in clear bags, so even if a recycling barrel is missing, students can still effortlessly indicate what they want recycled.



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Trinity now recycles Solo cups, in part with the CRRA Mid-Connecticut Project.

"Just by recycling the Solo cups generated by each weekend, we would already be making a huge difference," said Lopez. In the end, recycling Solo cups on campus is not only about reducing

waste. It is about challenging expedience and making a worthwhile change; it is about pushing wasteful behavior out of the mainstream and embracing sustainability as a new norm.

## Dean Card Responds to Misconduct

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Following multiple incidents involving students requiring medical attention for intoxication becoming verbally and physically aggressive toward medical responders, Associate Dean of Students Christopher Card sent out a campus-wide e-mail on Friday, Sept. 24.

"Please note that being under the influence of alcohol is not an excuse/rationale for any misconduct and the College will respond deliberately when abusive behavior is directed to staff or medical responders," wrote Card. "Students are encouraged to seek out assistance when it is apparent that substance use is compromising their safety or performance at the College. In short, if you need help, cooperate when help arrives, and we will provide help without any threat of dis-

ciplinary action."

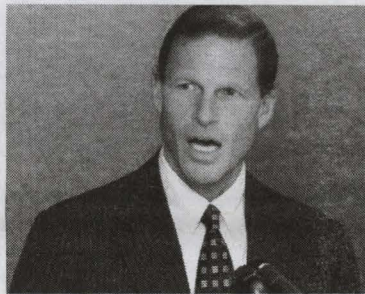
Card cautioned, however, that students who lashed out at paramedics or repeatedly found themselves requiring medical help due to alcohol consumption would be disciplined by the College. "It must be clear [...] that while the College will not 'punish' students who call for help and cooperate when help is provided, the same is not true in cases where there are reports of misconduct and/or violence."

A student who was recently the recipient of TCERT had mixed reactions to Card's e-mail. "Given how early in the school year it is, I think that Dean Card's e-mail was certainly expected. The school had to provide some kind of response so that the Class of 2014 would recognize that such behavior would not be tolerated as it has been until now," said the student. "However necessary, I thought it was slightly

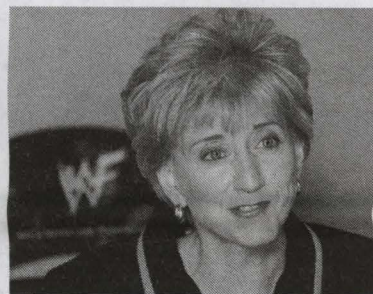
unrealistic for the Dean to advise students to be on their best behavior and as polite as possible while intoxicated to the point that they need to go to the hospital."

When asked what the College could do as a preventative measure, the same student responded, "Other than enforcing some kind of punishment, whether it be for having TCERT called or for being rude to the responders, as the e-mail suggested, I don't think there is any real way to prevent the number of incidents in the freshman class. Short of doing periodic alcohol searches in freshman dorms, which I don't think anyone wants, including the school, the Class of 2014 will have to learn from their mistakes. Because, speaking from experience, being in the hospital overnight dressed in rave clothing is reason enough to seriously cut back on alcohol consumption, if not completely."

## Conn. Mid-Term Election Campaigns in Progress



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Richard Blumenthal and Linda McMahon are running for seats in the U.S. Senate.

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NEWS EDITOR

### The Blumenthal-McMahon Senate Race:

Democrat Richard Blumenthal, the Connecticut Attorney General, is leading his Republican opponent Linda McMahon 50 percent to 45 percent according to a poll taken Sunday, Sept. 26 by Rasmussen Reports. Although McMahon, the former Chief Executive Officer of World Wrestling Entertainment, has been consistently trailing Blumenthal in the polls since winning the Republican nomination, with only 34 percent of likely voters supporting McMahon in January, she has been rapidly closing the gap. Blumenthal's six-point lead does not mean that the race is a lock. According director Douglas Schwartz, "For Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, an elected official with a 70 percent approval rating, this race is surprisingly close." Says Schwartz, "It is not that voters are wild about McMahon; her favorability rating is tepid. And many of her supporters are more anti-Blumenthal."

According to a Washington D.C. Democratic operative, Blumenthal's inability to gain a significant lead over McMahon, a Tea Party-backed candidate, reflects the current atmosphere of anti-incumbency. "It's a sign of the times that the voters are mad at

incumbents of any political stripe" he says. "[Blumenthal] should be winning that race by 10 to 15 points." If McMahon were to win, she would be Connecticut's first female senator.

### Connecticut Governor's Race:

Democrat Dan Malloy, former Mayor of Stamford, is leading Republican Tom Foley, former Ambassador to Ireland, 50 percent to 41 percent according to a Quinnipiac University poll taken Wednesday, Sept. 15. Although Foley took a brief lead in the polls in April, Dan Malloy has maintained a slight but consistent lead in the polls since the primary elections. While Malloy is polling ahead at the moment, eight percent of voters are currently undecided and 26 percent of voters who had chosen a candidate say that they could change their minds by Election Day. Both candidates are having difficulty gaining traction due to their mutual lack of name recognition. The Cook Political Report, an independent political newsletter, currently considers the race to be a toss up.

### 1st Congressional District:

Democratic incumbent John Larson is running for a seventh term against Republican Ann Brickley. According to a Washington D.C. Democratic operative, Larson's reelection is almost certain, "Larson's race is a foregone conclusion, he'll be reelected overwhelmingly."

## 2010-2010 SGA Election Results

### Class Senators

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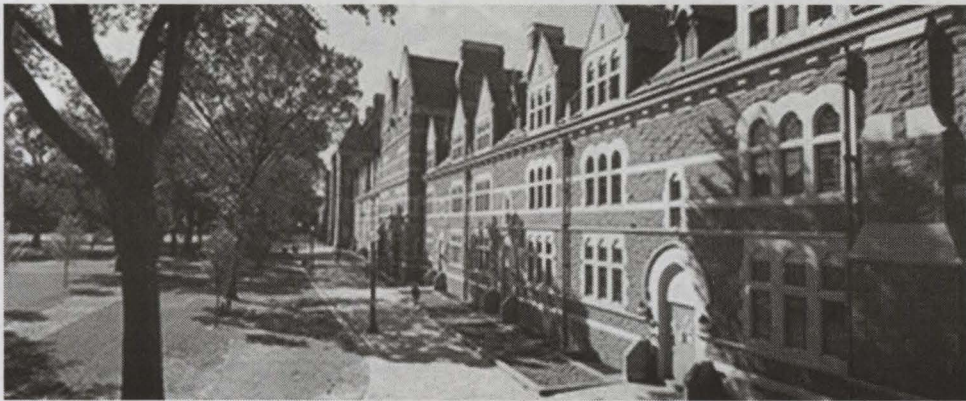
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Bryan Garrett-Farb	Jason Gordon	Panida Pollawit	Dan D'Aprile
William Hermann	Brandon Lewis	Jonathan Chu	Tomas de'Medici
Francesca Miller	Margaret Nolan	Antinea Ascione	Blake Fisher
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# Changes to Trinity RA Program Met With Positive Responses

# Trinity Chemistry Department Receives Over \$700K Grant



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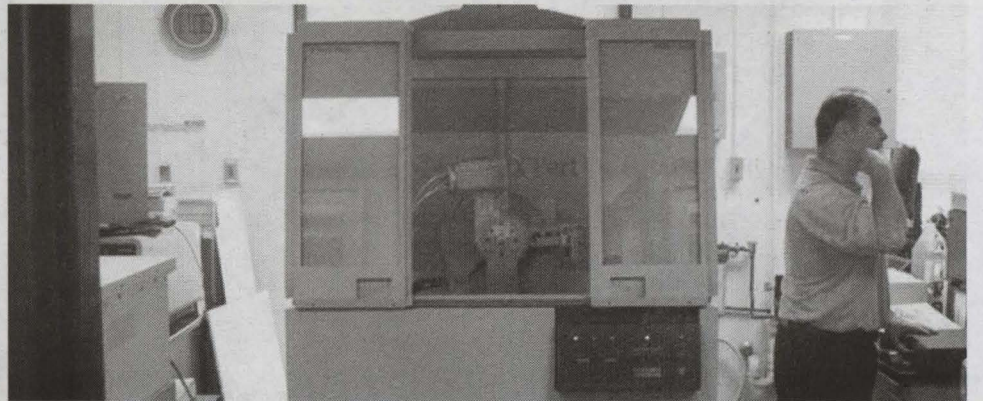
New staffing changes this year have changed RA responsibilities; the Jarvis RA supervises 138 students.

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coordinators were responsible for a physical area of campus, but this year areas of responsibility shifted to areas of expertise, such as First-year Communities or Focused Communities. This allows the Area Coordinators to work with RAs with similar needs. This, according to Area Coordinator for First-year Communities Devlin Hughes, has made a "huge difference." Hughes, who is responsible for the 20 First-year RAs, while other Area Coordinators have between four and seven upperclassman RAs, said, "First-years have different needs, and we are emphasizing that in a big way."

A change in the RA application included specifications for upperclassman or First-year RA applicants, which accompany the creation of a separate handbook for First-year RAs that highlights the differences in roles and responsibilities between RAs for First-years and upperclassmen. DeBaun called this "a brilliant change," as she has received "tremendously positive reports from First-year halls about community and staff."

The RA program received the same, if not more, interest than in past years. DeBaun sees this as promising for the future and continuation of the new program. She said, "We tried hard to make something good happen in the face of a fiscal challenge."



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The National Science Foundation grant will be used to update Trinity chemistry laboratories in 2011.

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The Trinity College Department of Chemistry was awarded a \$746,231 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). The grant is intended to help the Chemistry Department renovate and buy new equipment for its chemistry and neuroscience research laboratories. The grant was given to the school after the achievements of Professors Timothy Curran, Richard Prigodich, Thomas Mitzel, William Church, and Maria Parr caught the attention of the NSF.

The grant will permit the Chemistry Department to install new cabinets, casework, plumbing, and a new electrical

system, as well as brand new temperature and humidity controls. These changes will significantly expand Trinity chemistry students' ability to engage in laboratory research. The Department of Chemistry chair, Professor Timothy Curran was particularly excited about the new opportunities for research that the grant will provide. "It is long overdue," said Professor Curran. Curran feels confident that the upgrades to the chemistry facilities funded by the grant will help to modernize the chemistry department and expand the department's teaching potential. Said Curran, "When it is over, Trinity students will be able to do 21st-century chemistry."

The renovations are scheduled to begin in Spring 2011.

## Intercollegiate Update

### Tufts University

Tufts has reported an increase in its endowment of \$110 million, a great improvement after a 25 percent decrease in 2009. The current endowment stands at \$1.252 billion, a 9.7 percent increase over last year. The University will be taking great care to monitor the status of the endowment before undertaking any large projects, according to President Lawrence Bacow.

### Wesleyan University

As was reported in the Tuesday, Sept. 14 issue of the *Tripod*, a Wesleyan student was found on a campus athletic field with burns on 100 percent of her body. The student, who died on the afternoon of Monday, Sept. 13, has been identified as Nora Miller '12. Her death was ruled a suicide. A memorial service was held at Wesleyan on Friday, Sept. 24.

### Williams College

Following the June 30 departure of Director of Campus Safety and Security Jean Thorndike and Operations Supervisor Mike Butory, the Williams Campus Safety Department is putting together a search committee to hire replacements. The committee, according to Dean Sarah Bolton, will be comprised of students, faculty, and staff. Dave Boyer is currently the acting director.

### Bowdoin College

A female student was attacked outside of Coles Tower by an unknown assailant just after midnight on Wednesday, Sept. 22. He leapt onto her and brought her to the ground, whereupon she fell unconscious. She awoke in time to see her attacker flee, and promptly alerted campus security. The Brunswick Police Department and a canine unit from Bath, Maine, responded, but the attacker was not found.

### Yale University

The New Haven Police have arrested a second gunman in connection with the Sunday, Sept. 19 shooting near Yale's Old Campus. The shooter, Cornell Tucker, is charged with six crimes and is currently being held on \$1 million bail. New Haven Police have begun to crack down on nightlife in the surrounding area in response to the shooting.

### University of Pennsylvania

University of Pennsylvania's endowment is up 9.6 percent after incurring significant losses during the last fiscal year. Penn's endowment has increased almost \$500 million, leaping from \$5.171 billion to \$5.669 billion. The drop in the endowment during the 2009 fiscal year is attributed to the financial crisis that followed the nationwide recession in 2008.

## News In Brief

### Southwest CT SAT Scores Revealed

Darien High School and Weston High School achieved the highest median scores in Connecticut on each individual portion of the SAT, with Darien scoring a median of 611 on the math section and Weston taking first place in reading and writing, with scores of 587 and 610, respectively. The state average for each part of the exam was 510 (math), 505 (reading), and 510 (writing). Hartford schools fell below those averages, with both Bulkeley High School and the Hartford Culinary Arts Academy scoring fewer than 400 points per section.

### Waterford Soldier Killed in Iraq

26-year-old Army private Gebrah Noonan of Waterford, Conn. died Thursday, Sept. 23 in a non-combat incident in Fallujah, Iraq, scarcely a month after combat operations in the country came to an end. He had served in the military for roughly a year. Governor M. Jodi Rell ordered flags to be flown at half-staff on Sunday, Sept. 26 in his honor. Noonan was the second Connecticut soldier killed on tour in the last month: Army National Guard Sgt. Steven Deluzio of South Glastonbury, Conn. died in Afghanistan on Aug. 22.

### Prescription Drug Bust in Hartford

Two Connecticut residents, a man from Hartford and a woman from Waterford, were arrested on Thursday, Sept. 23, after being caught with almost 1,400 Oxycontin pills. Danny Miranda, 33, returned from Peru with the pills and was picked up at John F. Kennedy Airport in New York, N.Y., by his accomplice, Ashley Gibson, 25. Police working in conjunction with undercover narcotics agents and Waterford detectives apprehended the two of them upon their return to Hartford.

### Man Arrested for Shaking Baby

A West Haven, Conn. man was arrested on Monday, Sept. 27, following allegations that he had squeezed his six-week-old son too hard. The baby was taken to Yale-New Haven Hospital for treatment of broken ribs, internal bleeding, and lacerations to the liver and spleen. The father, Yosue-Amil Sierra Gomez, 22, told police that he had tripped while carrying the baby and squeezed him too hard as he fell. Police visited the home after receiving an anonymous tip that his girlfriend and the baby were being held against their will.

### Wadsworth Acquires Stolen Painting

A painting stolen from the Wadsworth Atheneum in 1980 was recently returned to the museum after showing up at an auction in New York, N.Y. in April 2009. The theft was likely a very simple one, since the painting was done on a sheet of copper that could be popped out of its frame with relative ease. The painting, "Seascape with Ruined Arch" by the French artist Charles François Lacroix is currently being restored by conservators at the Atheneum. It will likely be shown after the museum is renovated in 2013.

### Seventh Case of West Nile in Hartford

A Hartford resident has recently tested positive for West Nile Virus, making this the seventh documented case of the disease this year. The individual in question is between 50-59 years old and is currently hospitalized, according to the Connecticut Department of Public Health. Mosquitoes carrying the virus were detected in Hartford on Thursday, Sept. 2. Carriers have also been found in 23 other towns in Connecticut, including New Britain, Wethersfield, and West Hartford.



# FEATURES

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## MILLING WITH THE COOL KIDS - FALL CONCERT 2010



Trinity students celebrated the warm weather and danced the night away in the Mill backyard during the Fall Concert, co-hosted by the Mill, EAC, and the Temple of Hip Hop. The concert featured the Cool Kids and the Freelance Whales.

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## ADC Seniors Travel to Sierra Leone

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mastering projects and learning how to command respect," says Cummings. "We were met with many challenges to combat. The ability to maintain your drive in the face of so many problems is useful not only in ADC, but really in any avenue you could choose to pursue." The problems ADC faced were not only based in raising the \$40,000 necessary to complete the project, but also actually getting the necessary permission and tools to install the computers. In addition to having to meet with local officials, the students had to make sure that the computer lab was air-conditioned, and had an adequate power supply. Additionally, they painted, cleaned, and built desks.



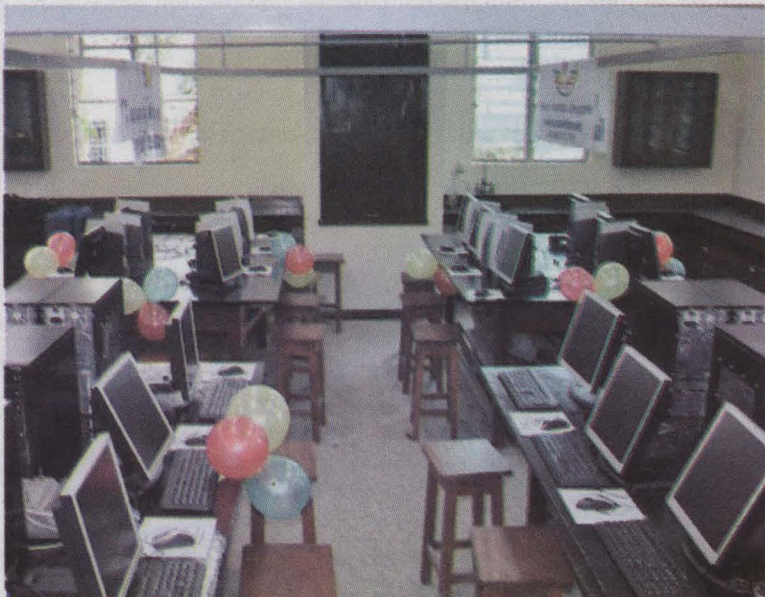
COURTESY OF Ibrahim Diallo '11

Trinity College seniors Sofia Melograno, Ibrahim Diallo, and Kate Cummings

The ADC, composed mostly of seniors, is looking for new students to get involved. "I've done this for two years now, and we're definitely ready for more brainpower," maintains Diallo. "We

want this year to be a transition period, to attract underclassmen to keep this going. It's a lot of work to maintain the coalition, but it's extremely rewarding. The skills that you will develop working with ADC are great; you learn how to fundraise, how to talk to people professionally, like government officials, and problem solve. In terms of personal development outside of the classroom, I believe it's the best way to develop skills for after college." Cummings adds, "The kind of person who would be a good fit is someone who is motivated, independent, and realistic. Our projects are designed around what the group of students in ADC think we should do, so it's really self-driven."

If you're interested in getting involved with ADC, they will be holding a meeting on Monday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge in Mather Hall.



COURTESY OF Ibrahim Diallo '11

The computer lab at Fourah Bay College completed with 80 new computers.

## TCRST Prepares Robots for Annual Competitions

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On almost any night in the labyrinthine basement of the Math Computing and Engineering Center (MCEC), a group of Trinity students brings robots to life, supported by Karl W. Hallden Professor of Engineering David Ahlgren. The ultimate goal of the Trinity College Robot Study Team (TCRST) is to take over the world with an army of mechanized soldiers, but since that's going to take a while, the members are working on encouraging and supporting student interest in robotics and engineering.

Starting from microprocessors (computable chips) and steel components, the 12 students in TCRST work about three hours a week for most of the year and much more intensively before a competition.

"Just before our deadlines, we basically sleep, eat, and live in the robot lab," says Rahul Shakya '11. "When something works, you're all excited; then you forget to be tired, and you just keep going."

Long time member Young Ho Shin '11 says that the best part of TCRST is the camaraderie. "There's nothing like

competing with other people to build the best robot," he says. "It's as primal as war. On the other hand, we make friends and learn how to work with other people too."

Right now, TCRST is working on several projects. Q, the autonomous land robot, is a robot which navigates obstacles and terrain on its own without human supervision. The techniques developed could potentially be used for reconnaissance and automating vehicles; this summer, TCRST's Q came third in the Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition, which is an international robot competition organized by the Department of Defense.

The club is also working on the Robo-Waiter, which is meant to help motion-disabled people by assisting them in accessing hard-to-reach objects. In addition, TCRST makes robots for Trinity's International Fire-fighting Competition, in which robots are used to extinguish fires, navigate through a maze, and find water.

For those potentially interested in the robot team, Engineering 120 (Mobile Robots) is a good introduction. The course is only offered to first-years during the Spring semester.



# Life on the Long Walk

A weekly column by Emily Misencik '14 documenting the people, places, and events of Trinity's campus

For as long as I can remember, I've loved everything about the fall. The changing of leaves and candy corn at the Cave have confirmed the start of my favorite season as I've noticed other Trinity students welcoming the fall with open arms. The numerous social events, sports games, and the fall concert started the first official days of fall off right, ensuring a fun and exciting semester for all.

This past Thursday, the *Tripod* celebrated two successful newspaper productions with a staff party. Although I initially had trouble finding Crescent Street and had to call multiple people for directions, I immediately felt welcome in Rebecca Brown's '11 somewhat furnished apartment. Let's just say that night I learned I probably shouldn't throw out my map just yet.

World-renowned organ player Christopher Houlihan '09 returned to his alma mater Friday night for a much-anticipated concert. As I entered the chapel, I noticed a great mix of students and local residents coming together to support and enjoy Houlihan's music. The organist played a variety of pieces and even his own arrangement of Maurice Ravel's "Vocalise in the form of a Habanera." After the concert my friends and I ventured back to Trinity Restaurant for another round, and I've finally figured out where the entire freshman class goes on Friday night. That said, I'd like to point out that I'm currently

craving their chicken parmesan as we speak.

I now finally feel like a true Bantam after attending my first college sports games on Saturday. Despite the hot weather, fans lined the soccer and football fields in Trinity apparel to support their teams. The start of the 125th football season went off without a hitch as our very own Bantams crushed Colby 33-6. Painted faces and blow horns filled up the rest of the afternoon as I cheered from the sidelines with Katherine White '14 and Annie Murdock '14.

This year's much-anticipated fall concert welcomed The Cool Kids and Freelance Whales to The Mill. After confessing my lack of knowledge of Freelance Whales, Jackie Sanders '14 immediately introduced me to "Location," creating an instant fan. Although the concert received mixed reviews from the general student body, I personally enjoyed all the performances and can't wait to experience my first Spring Weekend Concert in April.

The remainder of Saturday involved students in various forms of jerseys and sportswear dashing around campus. Although the night ended early on Vernon Street, North Campus kept the festivities alive with a special late night pizza order. A few too many slices of buffalo chicken pizza later, I officially placed Choice One on speed dial. Can you say "Hawaiian pizza" in celebration of next week's Tropical?



## Trin Student and Campo Pursue Phone Thief, AT Notified Via Text

AT thinks that this sighting could be most accurately described by the following text message sent to AT from a *Tripod* staffer at 2:52 a.m. "Just saw some kid, da back of a, hartford police car. at's peeps arrested!" AT thanks the tireless watcher, and congratulates the informer on their obvious in-depth knowledge of the style guide.

## Dear Freshman Class, STOP DRINKING

To the members of the class of 2014. PLEASE STOP CONSUMING ALCOHOL. Yes, Mike's Hard and Ciroc BOTH count as having a carbon fragment. Seriously, you're making drunk stories not funny anymore, and you'll put us out of our job. It's sad when TCERT is getting more action than Tiger Woods.

## Save the Gymnastics for the Mat

AT was at AD this weekend, when we spied an overzealous couple dancing against the wall. The girl had somehow managed to hoist her leg over the boy's shoulder, and was enthusiastically shaking what her momma gave her in the most revealing manner. AT hopes she remembers to stretch before the next late night.

## Saw something SCANDALOUS!?!?

TELL US ABOUT IT. AT can't be everywhere at once, and we need your judging gaze to help us expose Trin students' most embarrassing moments.

E-MAIL  
aroundtrinity@gmail.com

You know you love me. xoxo...

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

<b>Study Away Fair 2010</b>	<b>Human Rights Summer Fellowship Symposium</b>	<b>Student Activities Fund (SAF) and You</b>
Wednesday, 4 - 7 p.m.	Thursday Common	Thursday Common
Location:	Hour	Hour
Washington Room	Location:	Location:
	Terrace Rooms	Rittenberg Lounge

## Top 5

# Artifacts in the Watkinson Library Archives

Head Curator of the Watkinson Library Richard Ring describes his five favorite items (this week) from Watkinson's extensive collection.

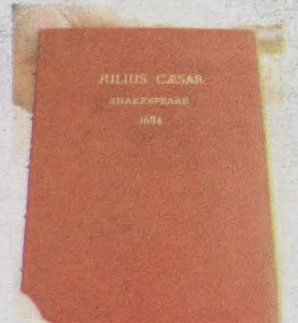
## 5. Through the Looking Glass

*Through the Looking-Glass, and What Alice Found There* by Lewis Carroll. This is the first edition (1872) of Dodgson's sequel to *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* (1864), with 50 illustrations by John Tenniel—and in this copy an added bonus: two original pencil sketches on the half-title by the artist!



## 4. Shakespeare's Julius Caesar (1684)

*Julius Caesar* had been produced but never appeared in print until the so-called First Folio edition of 1623, the first collected edition of Shakespeare, published seven years after his death. The Watkinson has the first printing of *Julius Caesar* as a separate play, printed in 1689. Five more editions were produced in the next six years, mostly due to the performances of actor Thomas Betterton and to a general interest in the tragedies.



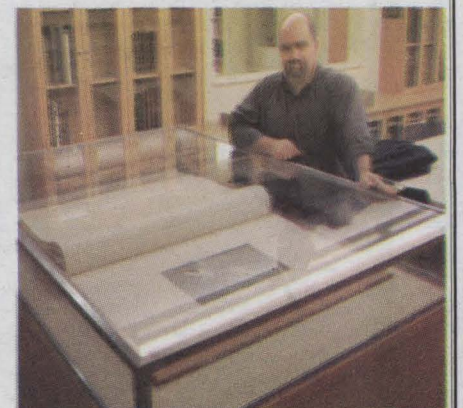
## 3. Kelmscott Chaucer (1896)

*The Works of Geoffrey Chaucer, now newly imprinted.* (Hammersmith [England]: Kelmscott Press, 1896). William Morris (1834-1896) created this crowning glory of book production during the Arts and Crafts movement; it was four years in the making and was produced completely without compromise: the paper was made entirely of linen rag, a new typeface was designed by Morris and cut purely for this work, and a suite of exquisite illustrations was provided by Edward Burne-Jones. The text was based on the Ellesmere manuscript (now in the Huntington Library in California).



## 2. The Audubon (1838)

*The Birds of America* by John James Audubon. Published in London (1827-38) in four massive volumes (over three feet tall and two feet wide), it is one of the most valuable rare books in the world—containing 435 engraved, hand-painted plates. A copy is up for auction at Sotheby's in London on Dec. 7, and they estimate that the winning bid will be between \$6.2 and \$9.3 million. The Watkinson's copy is the finest in the world, since it belonged to the engraver (R. Havell), who selected each plate for his copy. It was presented to Trinity in 1900 by Dr. Gurdon Wadsworth Russell. There are 171 recorded sets extant, of an estimated 200 published (the rest were broken up over the years by dealers and collectors, and the plates sold individually).



## 1. King James Bible (1611)

The most influential English Bible ever produced was the product of committees. Some 50 translators, commissioned by James I of England (who reigned from 1603-1625), were employed and divided into a half-dozen subcommittees. They met in Westminster, Oxford, and Cambridge, and produced this "Authorized Version" of the Bible, better known as the King James Version (KJV). This is the first edition, printed in 1611 (next year marks the 400th anniversary of the KJV). It has never been out of print, and is likely the most widely read and best-known book ever published in the English language.





# THE FOOD DUDES: TWO LADIES IN SEARCH OF GENIUS IN THE DEPTHS OF HARTFORD CUISINE

## Guacamole Soars, Service Falls Flat at Hartford's Agave Grill

EMILY WEBER '11 & E.J. EWALD '11  
STAFF WRITERS

A formal introduction: We have never been the girls who crave a salad, or announce ourselves "stuffed" after a meal of yogurt and mineral water. As freshmen, we found the object we primarily shared in common was an obsession with food: after becoming intimately familiar with the omelettes in Mather, the Classy Italian sub of the Cave, and the Southwestern Chicken wrap a la Bistro, we began to crave something more. We made a pact that before graduating we would sample every restaurant within a five-mile radius of Trinity. The theory was excellent; our execution was terrible. It is now our senior year, and we are nowhere close to completing our bucket list. Fortunately, however late, we were given the extraordinary opportunity by the *Tripod* to dabble in the best and worst restaurants that Hartford has to offer, in hope of expanding the local palette of the Trinity College student body. Our optimistic expectation is that our journey will not only fulfill our gourmet dream, but will enlighten readers to the hidden gems found within the menus of the surrounding Hartford establishments.

Our first adventure brought us to Agave Grill. After entering an endearing, though tackily decorated main room (think bedazzled cowboy hats and faux bull skulls), we were seated in the middle of the restaurant and given a list of the specials of the week. The one that most piqued our interest was Margarita

Mondays, when margaritas that generally cost \$7.50 are lowered to an appealing \$4. Of course, we had come on a Tuesday. Discouraged but undefeated, we each ordered a margarita: Weber had a Frozen Margarita de la Casa and EJ tried a National on the rocks, the former being the better of the two. Next, our waitress brought us the complimentary in-house made chips and salsa. The excitement built up for our first food-criticism experience was quickly diminished. The chips were great, the salsa horrific. Envision dipping a fried and salted chip into leftover marinara sauce with an accompanied three flecks of cayenne pepper. To cure the repugnant effect left on our taste buds, we ordered guacamole as an appetizer. This dish might be the highlight of Agave's menu, and is the dip they are generally known for. The fact that it was prepared at our table didn't hurt either.

For entrees we ordered an assortment of traditional Mexican food: ground beef in a crispy taco shell, fried fish in a soft one, and two chicken and chorizo enchiladas. Of these four, two of our orders were bungled. The fish taco, however, was an "orgasm in our mouths," and incited memories of dishes we'd shared in Mexico. Conversely, the beef taco roused visions of standing in line at Taco Bell. The chicken and chorizo enchiladas are really where the meal went to hell. While the chicken enchilada was better than the beef, we quickly realized that we had been served pork. As for the chorizo enchilada, we deduced (through the aid of the menu) that it was beef. These facts aside, the enchiladas were not entirely

disappointing. The refried beans were spicy and awesome, and although the Mexican rice was good, any Texan can tell you that Mexican rice should not contain peas and corn.

Dessert consisted of cheesecake, and although we ordered churros, they were never brought to the table (read: blunder #3). All in all, the meal was good. Not spectacular, not horrendous, but good.

We recommend Agave, located at 100 Allyn Street, if you need a meal after a show at the XL Center or have a casual hankering for American-style Mexican food. Nonetheless, proceed at your own risk as your waitress may have short-term memory loss when it comes to your order.

Until next week, bon appetit!

### Grades for Agave Grill:

Guacamole: EJ - B+. Weber - A  
Salsa: EJ - F. Weber - F  
Beef Taco: EJ - C. Weber - C-  
Fish Taco: EJ - A. Weber - A-  
Chicken (PORK!) enchilada:  
EJ - B-. Weber - C  
Chorizo (BEEF!) enchilada:  
EJ - C. Weber - C  
Refried beans: EJ - B. Weber - A  
Mexican rice: EJ - C. Weber - C-  
Cheesecake: EJ - B. Weber - C-  
Churros: EJ - ?. Weber - !

Agave Grill is located at 100 Allyn Street in Hartford. For information, visit [www.agave-hartford.com](http://www.agave-hartford.com) or call 860-882-1557.

## Tripod Trivia

Dear *Tripod* readers,

We have decided to see you if you are doing exactly that; reading the *Tripod*. This week we have several trivia questions, the answers to which should be fairly apparent if you've read this glorious publication. The first person to e-mail in all the correct answers to [sarah.harvey@trincoll.edu](mailto:sarah.harvey@trincoll.edu) and [inga.gaenslerdebs@trincoll.edu](mailto:inga.gaenslerdebs@trincoll.edu) will win a \$10 gift certificate to iTunes. Happy hunting!

- 1) What was the topic of Abigail Alderman's first *Tripod* article?
- 2) Hypothetically, how many Solo cups does Trinity College go through in one weekend?
- 3) What are the sources for Ben and Kai's Art Pic of the Week?
- 4) How many consecutive home games has the football team won?
- 5) Name one of Julia McInnis's recommended organic companies.

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Medium (14")	9.50	Topping	1.25
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Sheet (18" x 26")	16.99	Topping	3.50

### Pizza Toppings

Mozzarella, Pepperoni, Anchovies, Olives, Pineapple, Peppers, Garlic, Bacon, Sausage, Broccoli, Spinach, Onions, Ham, Chicken, Hamburger, Mushrooms, Tomato, Ricotta, Eggplant, Hot Peppers, BBQ Chicken  
Chicken & Shrimp additional Charge

### Mouth Watering Specialty Pizzas

	Small	Medium	Large	Sheet
Meat Choice	10.99	14.99	17.99	27.99
Beef, Sausage, Pepperoni, Ham & Bacon				
BBQ Chicken	11.99	15.99	18.99	28.99
BBQ Sauce, BBQ Chicken & Onions				
Bacon Double Cheeseburger	10.99	13.99	16.99	25.99
Bacon, Beef & Extra Cheese				
Special Choice	11.99	15.99	18.99	27.99
Pepperoni, Sausage, Onion, Green Peppers, Mushrooms & Beef				
Veggie Choice	10.99	14.99	17.99	28.99
Fresh Tomatoes, Black Olives, Onion, Green Peppers & Mushrooms				
White Veggie Choice	10.99	14.99	17.99	27.99
Fresh Tomatoes, Olive Oil, Garlic, Ricotta, Mozzarella & Spinach				
Chicken Choice	11.99	15.99	18.99	28.99
Sauces, Lightly Spiced Chicken with Fresh Tomatoes, Spices & Extra Cheese				
Hawaiian Pizza	10.99	13.99	16.99	25.99
Ham, Pineapple & Extra Cheese				
Super Choice Combo	12.99	16.99	19.99	29.99
Green Peppers, Onion, Ham, Beef, Black Olives, Pepperoni, Sausage, Bacon & Mushrooms				
Ranch Chicken Choice	11.99	15.99	18.99	28.99
Grilled Seasoned Chicken, Garlic and Fresh Tomato with Ranch Sauce				
Buffalo Chicken Choice	11.99	15.99	18.99	28.99

### Calzone

Calzone	7.50	Add Items	1.00
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### Wraps \$5.99

Chicken Twister • BBQ Chicken • Chicken Caesar  
Chicken Ranch • Buffalo Chicken • Chicken Cutlet  
Veggie • Ham & Cheese • Italian Cold Cut • Tuna  
Turkey Ranch • Roast Beef

### Grinders/Subs

Served with Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Peppers, Mayo & Provolone Cheese  
\*Served with Onion, Peppers, Provolone Cheese & Marinara Sauce

	8" Half	12" Whole
All Veggie	5.99	7.95
BLT	5.99	7.95
Chicken Cutlet	5.99	7.95
*Chicken Parmigiana	5.99	7.95
*Eggplant	5.99	7.95
Fish	5.99	7.95
Ham & Cheese	5.99	7.95
Italian Cold Cut	5.99	7.95
*Meatball	5.99	7.95
Pastrami	5.99	7.95
Pepperoni	5.99	7.95
Roast Beef	5.99	7.95
Salami	5.99	7.95
*Sausage	5.99	7.95
Steak & Cheese	5.99	7.95
Tuna	5.99	7.95
Turkey	5.99	7.95
Turkey & Bacon	5.99	7.95
*Veal Parmigiana	5.99	7.95

### Sandwiches

Served with Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Mayo and French Fries

Ham	5.00	Tuna	5.00
Turkey	5.00	Chicken	5.00

### Burgers

Hamburger	2.99	with Fries	4.75
Cheeseburger	3.75	with Fries	5.25
Bacon Cheeseburger	4.25	with Fries	5.50
Double Bacon Cheeseburger	5.75	with Fries	7.25

### Jumbo Buffalo Wings

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Honey Mustard • Spicy Cajun

10 pc	6.50
20 pc	11.50
30 pc	16.75
40 pc	21.50

### Boneless Buffalo Wings

5 pc	5.99
10 pc	9.99
15 pc	13.99
20 pc	17.99

### Fried Chicken

Half Chicken	8.50
Served with Salad, Fries and Garlic Bread	

### Side Orders

French Fries	2.50
Onion Rings	3.00
Mozzarella Sticks	4.50
Chicken Fingers with Fries	6.75
Curly Fries	3.00
NEW! Chilli Cheese Fries	4.99
Potato Skin	5.50
Boppers (Stuffed Jalapenos)	4.50
NEW! Fried Dough (15 pieces)	3.75
NEW! Cheesy Bread	5.99
Garlic Bread	Sm. 1.50 • Lg. 2.50
Garlic Bread with Cheese	Sm. 2.50 • Lg. 3.99
Grilled Cheese	2.50

### Salads

All Salads Served with Garlic Bread

	Small	Large
Tossed	4.50	5.75
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Onions, Peppers & Cucumber		
Fried Chicken	5.50	7.75
Grilled Chicken	5.50	7.75
Buffalo Chicken	5.50	7.75
Grilled Cajun Chicken	5.50	7.75
Honey Crispy Chicken	5.50	7.75
Chef	5.50	7.75
Ham and Turkey with Provolone Cheese		
Greek	5.50	7.75
With Feta Cheese and Greek Olives		
Antipasto	5.50	7.75
Ham, Genoa Salami and Pepperoni		
Tuna	5.50	7.75

### Desserts

Cheesecake	2.99	Chocolate Cake	2.99
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### Dinner Choices

Served with Garlic Bread & Salad

Spaghetti or Ziti	6.50
Spaghetti with Meatball	8.50
Sausage or Shrimp	8.50
Ravioli, Meat or Cheese	7.50
Manicotti	7.50
Lasagna	8.00
Chicken Parmesan	
with Spaghetti or Ziti	8.50
Veal Parmesan	
with Spaghetti or Ziti	8.50
Eggplant Parmesan	
with Spaghetti or Ziti	7.50

### Seafood

Served with Salad, Garlic Bread & French Fries

Fish & Chips	8.00
Fried Clams	8.00
Fried Shrimp	8.00
Fried Scallops	8.00
Seafood Platter	11.00

### \$4.00 Lunch Specials

Available from 11am to 2pm

- Small Cheese Pizza
- Any 8" Grinder or Wrap • Cheesy Bread
- 5 pc Bone or Boneless Buffalo Wings
- Any Small Salad with Garlic Bread
- Baked Pasta with Garlic Bread

### Choice #1

1 Large 16"  
One-Topping Pizza  
& Free 2-Liter Soda  
**\$12.99** + tax

### Choice #2

1 - 8" Sub,  
10 Buffalo Wings  
and 2 Cans of Soda  
**\$10.99** + tax

### Choice #3

1 Small 12"  
One-Topping Pizza  
and 2 Cans of Soda  
**\$8.99** + tax

### Choice #4

1 Sheet 26" Pizza  
with 1 Topping and  
Free 2-Liter Soda  
**\$19.99** + tax

### Choice #5

2 Medium 14"  
Two-Topping Pizzas  
& Free Cheesy Bread  
**\$20.99** + tax

### Choice #6

1 - 8" Grinder \$6.99  
1 - 12" Grinder \$8.99  
Served with 1 Can of  
Soda and 1 Bag of Chips  
Plus tax

### Choice #7

3 Pizzas with 1 Topping  
12" Small \$5 each  
14" Medium \$7 each  
16" Large \$9 each  
\*Must Buy 3 Pizzas. Plus tax  
Toppings extra.

### Choice #8

2 Cheese Pizzas  
12" Small \$11.99  
14" Medium \$14.99  
16" Large \$17.99  
\*Must Buy 2 Pizzas. Plus tax  
Toppings extra.

### Choice #9

1 Cheese Pizza, 2 Buffalo & 3 Boneless Wings,  
4 Mozzarella Sticks & Fried Dough  
12" Small \$13.99 • 14" Medium \$15.99  
16" Large \$17.99  
Plus tax. Toppings extra.

### Choice #10

1 Cheese Pizza, 10 Buffalo Wings, & 1 2-Liter Soda  
12" Small \$12.99 • 14" Medium \$14.99  
16" Large \$16.99  
Plus tax. Toppings extra.

### Choice #11

One Sheet 26" Pizza w/ one Topping  
10 pc. Buffalo Wings, Fried Dough & 2lt Soda  
**\$28.99** + tax

### Pick-Up Only

1 Lg 16" Cheese Pizza \$8.99  
1 Md 14" Cheese Pizza \$7.99  
1 Sm 12" Cheese Pizza \$6.99

20 Jumbo  
Buffalo Wings  
served with French Fries  
**\$11.99**





# HUMOUR

A Haus of McEvoy Production

"One always writes comedy at the moment of deepest hysteria." V.S. Naipaul

DR. MEGHAN K. McEVOY ESQ. '11

MAKES THE BELL JAR LOOK LIKE THE POWER OR POSITIVE THINKING



*As I watch the summer slowly fade, the memories of it floating away from me like ochre leaves gracefully falling from the branch and dancing in the gentle September breeze, I am once again filled with the same curious feeling that I experience every year around this time. There's a kind of strange and mysterious magic about the fall; an imponderable, intangible quality that I simply cannot explain. What is it about fall? What is it about this time of year that makes me want to just put on a cozy sweater, curl up in front of a roaring fire, and confront the terrifying and incomprehensible inevitability of my own mortality? Such ruminations consume my consciousness and literally occupy my every waking moment from about Labor Day 'til Christmas. I was inspired to write this, my eugogoly, because then at least even if I never understand the terrifying enigma of death, I will at least be marginally prepared when the cold, bony hand of the reaper eventually reaches for me...*

"Friends, family members, wisecracking robot butlers, we are gathered here today on the Moon in future-space-church to mourn the untimely passing of our beloved Meghan. We've all heard the saying that it's best to die doing something you love, and so Meghan was truly blessed to die the way she did, in a horrific fire of her own creation that she started with a cigarette after converting her entire fortune into paper currency and setting it alight in her fabulous space mansion, because "if she couldn't have it after she died, no one could." Her passing was gravely upsetting, especially because we all know just how difficult the months preceding her death were. After she mistook that Dippin' Dots stand for a gypsy fortune-teller and became convinced her demise was imminent, the once bitter and agoraphobic young zillionaire became paranoid and reclusive, and ultimately "went all Salinger on everyone's ass," confining herself to her mansion for the last two months of her life. Her decline was difficult to watch. Near the end she no longer took pleasure in the activities that used to give her so much joy, like ridiculing Europeans, or hunting hobos on one of the numerous private islands she reserved specifically

for "Most Dangerous Game-type ill shit."

Like a magical shooting star made of rainbows, she filled us with wonderment, yet left us far too soon. But we mustn't dwell on her untimely and tragic death. Nay, we must celebrate her life! In her short 25 years here on Earth, Meghan accomplished more than most people could ever dream of doing! The wildly successful financier and entrepreneur was fluent in 47 languages, an astounding feat of scholarly aptitude that she was fond of saying she only did so she could berate waiters in every country she visited. She will forever be remembered in the ANnALs of history as the only Harlem Globetrotters owner who also insisted on playing point guard, and the only Globetrotter in franchise history to be kicked out of a game for poor sportsmanship after she assaulted a Washington Generals forward on the court with a samurai sword, a feat which earned her the distinction of being the only person ever called "arrogant" by current Milky Way President Kanye West. She was the first person to circumnavigate the globe in a hot air balloon six times in a row. She would later modestly explain she only did so because she was trying to take a dump on the head of a pigeon who had once done the same to her, and missed the first few times. She was responsible for both the coloniza-

tion of Mars and for anti-Martian racism, and also invented all of the sciency robot stuff and technological advances that occurred between the years 2010 and 2015, thus effectively creating the futuristic intergalactic dystopia we all inhabit today. The prolific and brilliant inventor was both the richest person of all time and the worst philanthropist of all time, who, in her typically humble way, credited it all to "spite and gin."

So today we gather to bid farewell to our dear Meghan. Her life was the stuff of legend and horror films, and her beauty, wit, and charming affectations such as farting in public and ending every written correspondence with "and yes this is a written threat" set the world's standard for what a beautiful woman should be. She was a scientist, a war criminal, an international woman of mystery, an adventurer, a big game hunter, a Sagittarius, an incredible narcissist, a tortured graphic artist, an entrepreneur, a rake, a level 12 sorcerer, a scholar, and an überfamous figure the world over. Though she may be gone, do not weep, for she will most certainly never be forgotten. History will remember her for her many varied accomplishments and numerous treason charges. Scholars and scientists will venerate her for centuries to come for her many discoveries and her astounding disregard for ethics. People of Earth will

remember her for all that she gave to them, and probably even more for all that stuff she said she was just "borrowing" and never gave back. Specifically, and as requested by her last will and testament, Kenny from the first grade, Kevin from summer camp, that guy Brian who filed that horseshit sexual harassment case in 2012 and the 789 other men who ever spurned her typically drunken and always creepy advances pictured in the pamphlets you'll find under your seats and on every billboard in the tri-state area for the next 600 centuries will remember her as "the one that got away," and will totally regret not dating her and are probably fat, washed-up losers and are totally crying because she's dead now. You can read more about that in the pamphlets. And finally, we, of course, will remember her as the only employer we ever had who stipulated mandatory attendance at her funeral under risk of pain of death as a condition of our employment and then somehow tricked us into indentured servitude for the rest of our lives. To be honest I can't believe I'm standing here, or that that contract is actually binding, because I was, like, 80% sure she was illiterate. Anyway, goodbye, dear Meghan, goodnight, sweet princess, and Amen."

## Things That Are Terrible: Hipster History 101

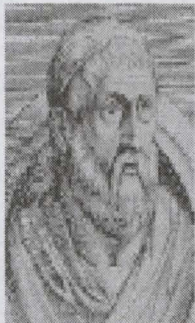
### SOPHOCLES

429 BCE

The famous Greek playwright pens *Oedipus Rex*. The coincidence of daddy issues & dramatic irony is significant for hipster culture, as centuries later, thousands of hipsters will (mis)use "irony" while attempting to defend their questionable life/fashion choices to their disappointed fathers.

PROFESSOR JULIA McINNIS PhD & CLASS DUNCE MEGHAN McEVOY

THE JANE GOODALLS OF WILLIAMSBURG



429 BCE



1848 CE



1848 CE



1977 CE



2007 CE

### DOV CHARNEY

ca. 2007 CE-Present

The American Apparel founder successfully tricks hipsters into buying mass-produced, poor-quality clothing, despite his business' apparently antithetical relationship to hipsterdom. Scholars predict that if hipsters ever realize the irony inherent in this, they will literally implode. Luckily for them, their natural defense mechanism of irrationality make this realization highly unlikely.

### CHRISTOPHER MARLOWE

1593 CE

The Bard's bitter archival is stabbed to death in a bar after refusing to pay his tab, setting longstanding hipster precedents of enjoying cheap alcohol and being really bad at fighting. Failed attempts at artistry and thinly-veiled resentment of more talented peers also become prominent motifs of 21st century hipsterdom.

### KARL MARX

1848 CE

Herr Marx und Engels publish their famous *Communist Manifesto*, an analytical account of past/present class struggles and a condemnation of capitalist society. 21st century male hipsters engaged in courtship rituals will later find that pretending to understand this text drastically increases their chances of successfully procreating with female hipsters, thus making *The Communist Manifesto* a seminal text in the canon of hipsterdom.

### WOODY ALLEN

1977 CE

The celebrated filmmaker releases *Annie Hall*, causing generations of future hipsters to believe that a relationship built upon a foundation of shared neuroses, crippling self-involvement, and continuous "zany banter" is healthy. Diane Keaton's androgynous and asininely hobo-esque wardrobe can also be blamed for later cancers on society such as Chloe Sevigny and Zooey Deschanel.



# ARTS

The Trinity Tripod

## Fall Concert: Kids and Whales Draw Crowd to Mill Backyard

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The opening act, Trinity's own DJ Ghostwaves (senior Tom Weir '11) spun electro-pop tracks and indie-rock remixes to get the crowd moving. Weir's eclectic sound was the perfect introduction to an unconventional band that describes its own music as something spun from "organic and synthetic textures."

Hailing from Queens, New York, The Freelance Whales have an indie-rock-percussion feel all their own. The Whales are a multi-instrumentalist group whose first LP, "Weathervanes," was released

in 2009. Their range of talent is impressive, even if some of their performance gear is unfamiliar. Along with drums, bass, guitar, banjo, cello, and glockenspiel tones, the Whales pepper their tracks with waterphones and microkorg keyboards. The former tool, inspired by the sounds of a Tibetan water drum, has no formal composition standards, and is an entirely improvisational instrument. The latter, a synthesizer made popular by artists like The Killers and the Kings of Leon, adds an eerie, dreamlike tone to the Whales' acoustics. Band members Judah Dadone, Kevin Read, Doris Cellar, Jacob Hyman, and

Chuck Criss, synchronized their eight instruments in a haunting sort of harmony. For an hour that Saturday night, Trinity students bobbed their heads and swayed their shoulders to creative tracks like "Generator Second Floor," "Location," and "Ghosting." It was a singing, strumming, symphonized stomping ground Trinity students rarely see in the urban heartbeat.

When the Cool Kids took the stage at 10 p.m., the lights flashed faster and the bass grew heavy. A Chicago group with Beastie-Boys-type wit and Roots-worthy rhyme sense, the Cool Kids met in 2005 over a MySpace music project. Antoine "Mikey Rocks" Reed and Evan "Chuck English" Ingersoll have been on the train to hip-hop stardom since then, collaborating with artists like Drake, Lil Wayne, Ludacris, and Maroon 5, just to name a few. Their song "A Little Bit Cooler" was the background to a Nike television commercial in 2009, and the acclaimed single "Mikey Rocks" was featured recently on an episode of "Entourage."



EMILY GITTLEMAN '11 | PHOTO EDITOR

The Freelance Whales bring indie jams from Queens to Hartford



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Antoine "Mikey Rocks" Reed & Evan "Chuck English" Ingersoll of "The Cool Kids"

### ART PIC OF THE WEEK

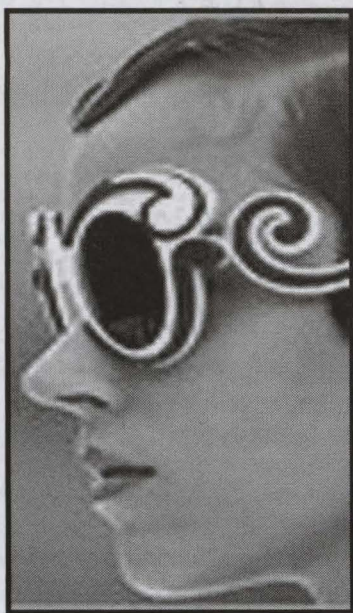
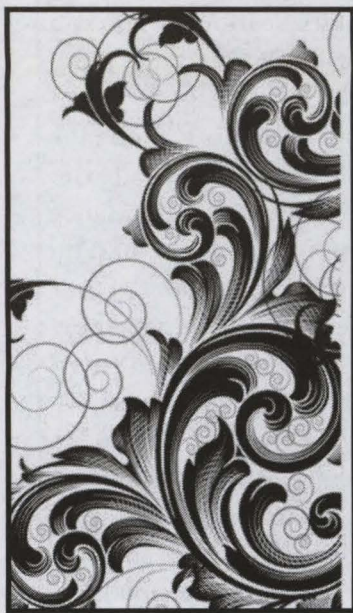


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**Kai:** Like many of the designers who decided to branch out to more frivolous details in their Spring 2011 shows, Miuccia Prada turned to the curvaceous art-deco styles from the 1930s to add to her notoriously extravagant collections.

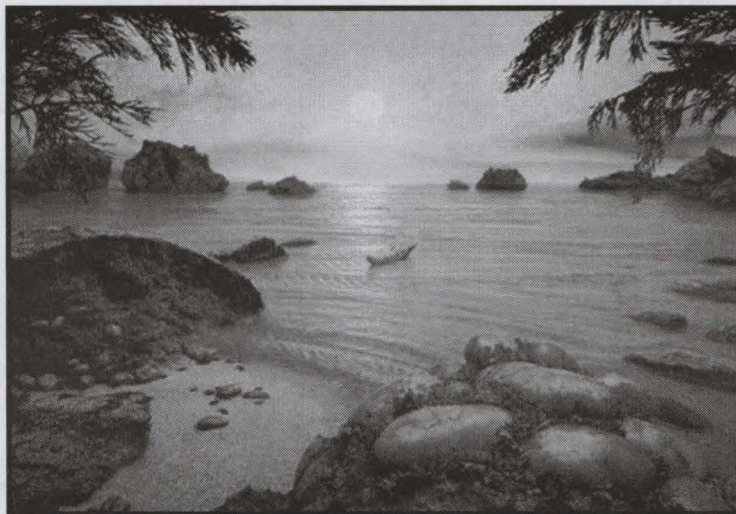


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**Ben:** Look once. A landscape, right? Look again, it's actually a table setting. This landscape, by British photographer Carl Warner, features only edible elements, including pumpernickel and potato rocks, salmon sea, and a pea pod boat.

## Moveable Joints Draw Crowds, Keep Evening Moving With Kinetic Comedy

NADIA HUFFER '14  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Moveable Joints took an enthusiastic approach to long-form comedy in their show at the Fred Pfeil Community Project (Fred) on Friday, Sept. 24. It was their first show of the year, and they couldn't have had a more comfortable environment in which to set the tone. The floor space in the in the Fred's common room was completely covered by a veritable mob of students, save for the small patch of space that served as the actors' stage. Everyone was excited to see the show. The style of improv the Moveable Joints used was difficult to follow at some points, but what stuck with me above all else was how likeable the actors were. For comedy to work, you have to like the actors. The Moveable Joints are very much in on this secret, and so was the animated crowd.

The three Joints, Vincent Moore '11, Sean Zimmer '11, and Briana Feigon '11 began the show like old professionals, eliciting a huge burst of applause after their first sketch, which served as a great introduction to the rest of their fast-paced performance. In this sketch, the Joints struggled to come up with an original storyline for a motion picture that would conceivably earn lots of money and get Feigon's character out of trouble for murder. In so doing, they just so happen to rattle off the premises of all our generation's favorite blockbuster ("Finding Nemo", "The

Notebook", etc.). It was relatable, as the audience enjoyed the Joints' narration of the clichés we all love to make fun of.

After this, they asked the audience to volunteer a theme that they would incorporate into the next sketches. Someone in the jam-packed, sweaty crowd shouted out, "TCERT," and the three Joints came up with their responses on the spot. They took turns articulating their own monologues, which seemed to draw a lot from the actors' own personal experiences, in addition to acting out a somewhat confusing series of sketches that could have fizzled if not for the Joints' rapport and energy.

In my favorite sketch, Moore played a "hipster" grandfather, whose grandson, played by Zimmer, wants desperately to be as cool as him, and whose girlfriend, Feigon, is a jaded, Williamsburg teenager. Previously, they had proved that making fun of clichés was funny, but now they were taking it to a different level. We

chuckled at the good-natured Joints for even attempting to venture into the banal territory of hipster jokes before they even started in with their routine. Then we were all pleasantly surprised when the skit turned out to be ridiculous and funny.

I spoke briefly with the Joints after their performance, and they emphasized the importance of their positive group mentality, which was apparent in the show. They have to work well together off stage as well, because, as Moore explained, a lot of practice and scene work goes into each show. For example, he said that the inspiration for certain sketches is derived from interesting or humorous words that the actors play around with and use as a basis for integrating their ideas. The Moveable Joints want to introduce new perspectives into this creative process and will probably be gaining many more actors from the auditions that took place after the show. I can't wait to see the group develop!



JULIA MCGHEE '13 | PHOTO EDITOR

Briana Feigon '11 and Sean Zimmer '11 perform in 'Long Form' Comedy.



# Wild and Young: American Bang Rocks Webster Theatre

MATT MAINULI '13  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

I waited in a dimly lit dressing room of Hartford's Webster Theatre as all four members of the Nashville rock band American Bang came trudging up the moaning staircase for an interview. Walking through the door, they looked weathered and weary, exhausted from a nearly 400-mile drive from Buffalo the day before. After playing at Lollapalooza, SXSW (South by Southwest), Austin City Limits and Bonnaroo this summer, they are right in the middle of the biggest tour of their four-year career and show no signs of stopping. Jaren Johnston, the long-haired lead singer and guitarist, had a pair of violently shredded jeans tied neatly to his waist and plopped onto the grimy couch like a deflated balloon, the rest of the band following his lead, as I took out my notebook and pen.

After playing in various local bands, the high school friends decided to combine their talents and form American Bang. In the highly competitive Nashville music circuit, which has most recently produced the rock juggernaut Kings of Leon, they perfected their songwriting skills and flashy on-stage antics. In 2007 they released an EP titled "Move to the Music" and scored a smash hit with their title track. After a few years of touring and some impressive reviews, they caught the attention of Warner Bros. and signed a deal with the affiliate Reprise Records. Now, with the

release of an eponymous first album last August, they have made the jump from local celebrities to rising stars.

As the clock approached 9 p.m., the crowd was eager for the band to take the stage. Their amps were adorned with spray painted American flags and stenciled black lettering, and there was plenty of beer available on the side of the stage. But I knew from the first note that they had not driven 400 miles to party. The gritty, vamping intros to each song cut through the buzz of the bar and demanded attention. Johnston marched around the stage, his butt sticking out like Mick Jagger, as he ripped through several wicked solos. He flipped his hair wildly around his head, leaving sweat soaked strands stuck to his neck like black veins. Ben Brown, the lead guitarist, seemed possessed as he stared into the crowd and counted time. Then suddenly they counted off and tore into the anthem-like, "Wild and Young." In a gritty southern drawl, Johnston howled the first lines of the song with the facial contortions of Steven Tyler, and the timbre of a slightly more intelligible Caleb Followill.

By the end of the set I was exhausted. My ears rang and my voice was raspy from singing along. I received some sweat drenched hugs and a signed CD before the boys hopped into the van and hit the road again. It was clear, if the Kings of Leon are ruling the rock world at the moment, then American Bang is definitely heir to the throne.



MATT MAINULI '13 | PHOTO CONTRIBUTOR

Lead singer of American Bang Jaren Johnston performs at the Webster without actually touching it.

## ...AND THIS WEEK IN ARTS

ART NEWS FROM THE WORLD AT LARGE  
EMMA TUCKER '12

Opening Sunday, Oct. 3 at the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) in Manhattan N.Y., is an exhibit titled "Abstract Expressionist New York." Chronicling work from the late 1940s to the '60s, Abstract Expressionism is the territory of renowned artists such as Pollock and Rothko. The exhibit will go beyond the expected in an attempt to show that people's preconceptions about the time and the genre only scratch the surface. MoMA's chief curator Ann Temkin told *Time Out New York*, "It's a time you think you know, but maybe you don't." The exhibit will house 300 works ranging from paintings to photos, as well as sculptures, drawings and prints. Thirty artists are represented, far exceeding the number of names usually associated with Abstract Expressionism. This exhibit is unique in more ways than this, though. Drawing only from what the MoMA already owns, this is a unique opportunity. Due to the state of the economy, the museum turned to itself and its warehouse in Queens, N.Y. instead of writing to other museums for loans. The result is an education on an art revolution, centered in and around New York, N.Y.. The exhibit runs through June 2.

Also in New York City, the Guggenheim is offering a show (Oct. 1 - Jan. 9) entitled "Chaos and Classicism: Art in France, Italy, and Germany 1918-1936." The exhibit emphasizes the return from Modernism to Classical

Figuration, predominantly by Picasso, in post-World War I European art. Some of the many artists represented in this show are Balthus, Jean Cocteau, Giorgio de Chirico, Otto Dix, Hannah Höch, Fernand Léger, Henri Matisse, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, Pablo Picasso, and August Sander.

Sept. 21 saw the release of the second book co-written by writers and producers of Comedy Central's "The Daily Show," titled *Earth (The Book)*. Coming off of the successful *America (The Book)*, *Earth* is a manual on human life. Though to say that is a broad subject is an understatement, the intent of the book is specific, and extremely unique: If aliens came to our planet after humans become extinct, how would they find out about our existence? Enter *Earth (The Book)*. "Daily Show" host, and primary author of *Earth*, Jon Stewart, stays true to the satirical style of news telling that made his show famous. The book is humorous, but manages to insightfully attempt to explain why things are the way they are. The book spans millions of years - from the moment of creation to the present. The result is a book unlike any other: a true original, much like the show (and man) that created it. Despite the lack of major elections this October, Stewart will be as busy as ever. He hosts "Night of Too Many Stars" for autism education on Comedy Central Oct. 21, as well as the Rally to Restore Sanity march on Washington, Oct. 30.

## hART BEAT

### SEPTEMBER 28

✓KINO KAFE PRESENTS: "HOP"  
LA PALOMA SABANERA COFFEEHOUSE, 405 CAPITOL AVE.,  
HARTFORD; 7 P.M.-9 P.M., \$3.00

### SEPTEMBER 29

✓FILM: CAMERA FUNDAMENTALS SEMINAR  
PHOTOSYNTHESIS, LLC, 136 1/2 PINE STREET, MANCHESTER, 7  
P.M.-9 P.M., \$20.00

### SEPTEMBER 30

✓HARTFORD TREASURES: ART AND ARTIFACTS  
ON THE ARTWALK  
HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY, 50 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD, 10  
A.M.-8P.M., FREE

### OCTOBER 1

✓MANHATTAN SHORT FILM FESTIVAL (OCT. 1 - OCT. 3)  
THE WADSWORTH ATHENEUM MUSEUM OF ART, 600 MAIN ST.,  
HARTFORD, 7:30 P.M., FREE WITH TRINITY I.D.

### OCTOBER 2

✓1ST ANNUAL ARTS & MUSIC FEST  
GALLERY 46, 46 UNION ST., VERNON-ROCKVILLE, 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.,  
\$5.00

### ✓COSTUME PARTY DECORATION-MAKING WORKSHOP

GUILFORD ART CENTER, 411 CHURCH ST., GUILFORD, 10 A.M. - 2  
P.M., FREE

### OCTOBER 3

✓BOOKTALK WITH ROSANNA ROBINSON  
HARRIET BEECHER STOWE CENTER, 77 FOREST STREET, HARTFORD,  
2 P.M. - 4 P.M., FREE

✓MILLER REEL JEWISH WOMAN FILMMAKER AWARD  
CHARTER OAK CULTURAL CENTER, 21 CHARTER OAK AVENUE,  
HARTFORD, 4:00 P.M., \$10.00

### OCTOBER 4

✓WARRIORS DON'T CRY: A CIVIL RIGHTS PRODUCTION  
ANTORINO GREAT HALL, THE BUSHNELL CENTER FOR THE PER-  
FORMING ARTS, 166 CAPITOL AVE., HARTFORD, 7:00 P.M., \$33.00

## CINESTUDIO

<p><b>PLEASE GIVE</b> <b>Tuesday, September 28,</b> <b>7:30 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>MICMACS</b> <b>Sunday, October 2,</b> <b>2:30 p.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b> <b>Monday, October 3,</b> <b>7:30 p.m.</b></p>	<p><b>SCOTT PILGRIM VERSUS THE WORLD</b> <b>Wednesday, September 29,</b> <b>7:30 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Thursday, September 30,</b> <b>7:30 p.m.</b> <b>Friday, October 1, 7:30</b> <b>p.m.</b> <b>Saturday, October 2, 2:30</b> <b>p.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b></p>
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# Bantam Rowers Represent U.S.A. at World Rowing Champs

ANN WALLER CURTIS '12  
SPORTS EDITOR

For Trinity College women's crew team member Sarah Keller '11 and former men's team member John Graves '10, this past summer was one to remember. Keller and Graves participated in racing programs in Philadelphia, Pa. and Craftsbury, Vt., ultimately earning spots on the United States team at the Under-23 World Rowing Championships in Belarus.

Keller and her boatmate, senior Elizabeth Bates of Harvard University, finished ninth in the Women's Lightweight Double event at the World Championships, held July 22-25. Graves finished 11th in the Men's Lightweight Single event. Both Keller and Graves posted the best ever results of any American in their respective categories.



COURTESY OF Sarah Keller '11

S. Keller '11 and Elizabeth Bates competed at the World Rowing Championships.

Keller applied to the summer racing program at Vesper Boat Club in Philadelphia last spring. Upon arriving in the city last June, Keller and Bates completed a series of tests and competitions to earn their position as the club's lightweight double boat. Competing in a double boat was an adjustment for Keller and Bates, both of whom had extensive experience rowing sweep boats. In a sweep boat each rower has one oar, while in a sculling boat rowers have oars in both hands. The newly formed team spent some time in Philadelphia adjusting to their new boat and racing together in preparation for the upcoming qualifying meet.

Meanwhile, Graves trained at the Craftsbury Sculling Center, a well-known camp devoted to teaching rowers of all abilities how to scull. Graves joined the two-year-old Small Boat Training program, led by

former Trinity College men's rowing coach Larry Gluckman. This is the second summer Gluckman's rowers have qualified for the World Championships.

In the summer of 2009, Graves and fellow Bantam rowing alum Eli Roxby '09 trained with Gluckman. They raced in the Men's Heavyweight Pair event at the U-23 World Championships, held in Racice, Czech Republic.

This summer, the United States team trials were held in Princeton, N.J. at the end of June. The winner of the races earned the privilege of representing the United States at the World Championships a month later. In Princeton, Keller and Graves secured their respective spots on the American team. Keller and Bates won their race by about 12 seconds. Keller became the first female Trinity rower to represent the United States since Christine Collins '90 medaled at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney.

Keller flew to Belarus on Friday, July 16th, and was there for about 10 days in total. The team had a few days of practice before the meet began, allowing them to adjust to a new course as well as the seven-hour time difference. Keller reflected on her experience, saying, "It was so cool to be over at the course and see the flags of all the competing countries flying. I think the weirdest part of the whole



COURTESY OF Sarah Keller '11

John Graves '10 placed 11th in the lightweight single event at the Championships.

thing for me was that the people on the water with me didn't speak the same language. I would hear calls in German, Spanish, Greek [...] Because I was in the bow of our double, I was in charge of steering and the practice days were sometimes super stressful because I was dodging so many boats!"

She continued, "It was really nerve-racking when they would poll the crews. I am used to hearing the names of [New England Small College Athletic Conference] NESCAC schools, and instead of hearing "Trinity, ready?" I was hearing "USA, ready?" Keller's boat finished ninth of the 18 teams in the race; Greece, New Zealand, and Germany were the top three teams in the event. Both Keller and Bates are eligible to compete again next summer, and are looking forward to a possible return trip.

Keller continued, "Overall it was a phenomenal, and whirlwind experience. I never

thought when I moved to [Philadelphia] this summer that I would come home with such great racing experience under my belt." She will look to use the invaluable experience she gained this summer to help the Bantams, who kick off their fall season this weekend.

The Bantams will host the Head of the Riverfront Regatta on Sunday, Oct. 3, and race in three more regattas in the month of October.

Keller cannot wait to get back into racing in the 8-boat format that will be used in these races. She stated, "I am so appreciative [of] my experience here on the Trinity team. My teammates have always pushed me really hard and being used to that level of intensity really helped [...] this summer. I am so excited to be back here at Trinity and rowing in bigger boats. I really missed the team and really, really missed the energy that comes from racing in 8-boats...I am really excited to see what we can do this fall."

## NESCAC POWER RANKINGS

POWER RANKINGS ARE COMPILED WEEKLY BY SPORTS EDITORS FROM NESCAC SCHOOLS. THEY ARE BASED ON THE MOST RECENTS RESULTS AND LEAGUE STANDINGS.

### Football

1. Amherst
2. Williams
3. Trinity
4. Middlebury
5. Tufts
- Wesleyan (tie)
7. Bowdoin
8. Hamilton
9. Colby
10. Bates

### Volleyball

1. Tufts
2. Conn. College
3. Middlebury
4. Williams
- Bowdoin (tie)
6. Trinity
7. Amherst
8. Wesleyan
9. Bates
10. Colby
11. Hamilton

### Men's Soccer

1. Williams
2. Middlebury
3. Amherst
4. Bowdoin
5. Tufts
- Wesleyan (tie)
7. Conn. College
8. Bates
9. Colby
10. Trinity

### Field Hockey

1. Tufts
2. Bowdoin
3. Trinity
4. Wesleyan
5. Middlebury
6. Amherst
- Conn. College (tie)
8. Williams
9. Colby
10. Bates

### Women's Soccer

1. Williams
2. Amherst
3. Trinity
4. Tufts
5. Wesleyan
6. Bowdoin
7. Middlebury
8. Colby
9. Bates
10. Conn. College

### Total

1. Williams
2. Amherst
3. Tufts
4. Middlebury
5. Trinity
6. Bowdoin
7. Conn. College
8. Wesleyan
9. Colby
10. Bates
11. Hamilton

## Golf Looks to Defend Its 2010 NESCAC Title

KAYLA CHADWICK '12  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

place Babson College (599: 297, 302).

The defending New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Champion Trinity College golf team has quietly gotten their season underway this fall.

The Bantams had their first test back on Saturday, Sept. 12th, at the Trinity College Invitational Tournament held at Pine Valley Golf Course and Shuttle Meadow Country Club. The hosts finished in the middle of the pack, fourth out of eight teams. Jack Palley '13 shot a team-leading 147 (75, 72) earning him fourth overall. The team score was 612 (313, 299), just 13 strokes behind first-

On Sunday, Sept. 19th, Trinity traveled to Myrhe Golf Course in Vermont for the Duke Nelson Golf Tournament. Out of the 25 teams, the Bantams finished eighth with a team score of 625 (314, 311). Dante Ambrogio '13 shot a 155 (81, 74), good for a 30th place finish overall, while co-captain Alex Bermingham '12 and Palley tied for 35th overall out of 127 total competitors.

Over the weekend the Bantams competed in the Williams Invitational, where they finished fourth out of 17 teams. The team will compete in the NESCAC Qualifying Tournament held this weekend, Oct. 2-3, in Berlin, Conn.



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The golf team will participate in the NESCAC Qualifying Tourney this weekend.





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## Trinity Football Opens 2010 Season with 33-6 Win Over Colby

ANN WALLER CURTIS '12  
SPORTS EDITOR

Vernon Street had a festive air on Saturday, Sept. 25, as the Trinity College community gathered at Jessee/Miller Field for the first football game of the season. Tailgaters packed the parking lots and Psi Upsilon provided the music on a beautiful, warm Saturday afternoon as the Bantams kicked off their 125th season of football with a 33-6 win over the Colby College Mules.

The Bantams, ranked No. 6 in the New England Division III Poll, finished the 2009 season with a 6-2 record, tied for second in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) with Williams College. The Bantams remain undefeated on the artificial turf at Jessee/Miller Field, recording their 36th straight win at home and their seventh straight triumph over the Mules.

Quarterback Craig Drusbosky '11 led the efficient and balanced Trinity offense. Drusbosky finished the game 13-for-23, for 180 yards through the air and two touchdowns. Five different players scored touchdowns for the Bantams, and two first-year players, running back Ben Crick and quarterback Headley Jennings, made impressive collegiate debuts.

On their second possession of the game, the Bantam offense marched down the field for a 15-play, 65-yard touchdown drive. On third-and-nine from the Bantam 40-yard line, tight end Chris Hunt '11 pulled in a Drusbosky pass to keep the drive alive. Drusbosky proved to be a threat with his feet as well, running the ball to set up a first and goal from inside the five-yard line. Running back Nana Appah-Sampong '12 scored the first touchdown of the season for the Bantams on a one-yard run seconds before the

end of the first quarter, and a kick by Luke Whitman '11 gave the Bantams an early 7-0 lead.

The Bantams added to their lead midway through the second quarter when running back Ben Crick powered through the Colby defense from one yard out. Crick, who saw all of his playing time in the first half, finished the day as the Bantam's leading rusher with 87 yards, as the offense totaled 210 yards on the ground.

After a Colby punt early in the second quarter, Drusbosky and the Bantam offense took over on their own seven-yard line. The offense continued to look sharp as they moved the ball across the midfield line behind consecutive big runs from Crick and Drusbosky.

Facing fourth-and-one from the Colby 29-yard line, the Bantams could have attempted a long field goal or called for a quarterback sneak to get the extra yard and a fresh set of downs. Instead, an unexpected play call paid off for the Bantams as Drusbosky found Hunt inside the five-yard line, setting up a Crick touchdown run two plays later. An extra point by Whitman gave the Bantams a 14-0 lead with 8:49 left in the first half.

A defensive stop provided the Bantams with a chance to execute their two-minute offense and add to their lead before halftime. Wide receiver Mike Galligan '11 made four catches on the ensuing drive, which ended when Hunt caught a 15-yard touchdown pass from Drusbosky. After missing the first of two conversion attempts in the game, the Bantams took



EMILY GITTLEMAN '11 | PHOTO EDITOR

Quad-captain Ben Sherry '11 makes a tackle in the Bantams 33-6 win on Saturday.

a 20-0 lead at halftime.

In the third quarter, cornerback Matt Paskalides '12 recovered a Colby fumble, returning the ball 27-yards to set up a first-and-goal for the offense. Jennings scored his first collegiate touchdown several plays later, but a second failed conversion attempt left the score at 26-0.

Colby drove down inside the Trinity 20-yard line on their next possession, but the defense came up with a big stop on a fourth-down play and Bantams got the ball back.

With 10 minutes left in the game, the Colby offense put together their only scoring drive of the afternoon. A 35-yard pass completion highlighted an eight-play, 63-yard scoring drive for the Mules, who were unable to complete a two-point try after the touchdown.

The Bantams responded immediately with their fifth scoring drive, capped by a 10-yard touchdown pass from Drusbosky to wide receiver

Chike Madu '12. The touchdown stretched the Bantam lead to 33-6, which would be the final score.

Drusbosky finished the afternoon 13-for-23 for 180 yards and two touchdowns, and also rushed for 41 yards. Hunt was the game's leading receiver, with five catches for 180 yards and a touchdown.

The Bantam offense, which features seven returning starters, totaled 381 yards in their first outing of the season. The tough Bantam defense limited the Mules to just 49 yards rushing on 29 carries. The defensive unit also forced three Colby turnovers and recorded three sacks. Tackle Matt DelConte '12 had two sacks and an interception.

The Bantams will travel to Williamstown, Mass. next weekend for a game against NESCAC rival and No. 7-ranked Ephs. Their next home contest will be on Saturday, Oct. 16 against the Tufts University Jumbos at 1:30 p.m.



EMILY GITTLEMAN '11 | PHOTO EDITOR

Quarterback Hedley Jennings '14 scored a TD on a 9-yard run in the second half.

## Men's Soccer Team Loses to Bates, Falls to 2-3 On The Season

EMILY GITTLEMAN '11  
SPORTS EDITOR

The early weeks of the Trinity College men's soccer season have been characterized by a number of ups and downs. Most recently, the Bantams suffered their third consecutive conference loss of the season when they fell to the Bates College Bobcats by a score of 2-1.

The team opened their season at home against the Colby College Mules on Saturday, Sept. 11. It seemed like a well-matched contest through the first half, as both teams remained scoreless. On the Bantam side this was, in part, thanks to goalkeeper Grant Schonberg '12, who dove to block a direct shot on goal and recorded a number of saves thereafter. The Trinity men thought they had taken the lead when forward Chris Binnie '12

drove the ball into the net halfway through the first half, but he was ruled offside and the goal was retracted. The score remained tied at 0-0 at halftime. However, the Mules opened the second half with a decisive and game-changing play, scoring on Schonberg only minutes into the half. The Bantam offense was unable to turn any of their four shots into goals and the game ended in favor of the Mules.

Despite recording their first loss of the season, and to a New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) rival, the Bantams carried an optimistic outlook into their midweek game against an out-of-conference rival, the Worcester State College Lancers. Goals from Anthony El-Hachem '13 and Binnie, both assisted by Dan Mayernick '12, put the Bantams ahead and earned them their first victory of the

season.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, the Bantams traveled to Middlebury, Vt. for their second conference game of the season. The Bantams held the Middlebury College Panthers off for the majority of the game and Schonberg recorded two saves in the process. Both teams were scoreless as the second half began, but when the clock hit 51:31, the Panthers managed a shot that hit Schonberg and then rolled in for a goal. About 15 minutes later, Bantam defenseman Zachary Packer '14 had a shot on goal that looked promising, but a diving save from the Panther goalkeeper prevented the Bantams from getting themselves on the scoreboard before time ran out.

Trinity traveled again the following Tuesday to face the Eastern Connecticut State University Warriors. The Warriors were ranked No. 2 in

New England and No. 12 nationally, but that did not deter the Bantams. A free kick from midfielder Matt O'Connell '11 deflected off of an Eastern Connecticut player and found its way into the Warriors' goal. O'Connell's goal, the first of his college career, proved to be the only goal of the game and secured Trinity's second win of the season.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, the Bates College Bobcats arrived at Trinity for the third conference game of the season. The Bantams and Bobcats battled for the lead through the early portion of the first half.

It was not until the first half was dwindling to a close that Bates scored the game's first goal. Trinity started the second half down, but responded positively early on. Mayernick sent the ball whizzing towards the upper lefthand corner of the net, just out of the Bobcat goalkeeper's

hands to tie the score at 1-1.

Neither team managed another goal before regulation time ended, at which point the game went into overtime. With a little over five minutes left in the first overtime period, the Bobcats hooked a shot over the hands and body of a diving Schonberg to end the period and the game. The loss put the Bantams at 2-3 on the season and 0-3 in the NESCAC.

Trinity will start their fourth week of the season with a game against Western Connecticut State University on Wednesday, Sept. 28 at home. Following their midweek game they will travel to Middletown, Conn. to face Wesleyan University on Saturday, Oct. 2. The Bantams look to improve their conference record with a victory over Wesleyan, before facing three other NESCAC rivals in the following week.